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Gases in Steel.

A short time since, as some of our readers will remember, we submitted the views of Doctor Müller and M. Pourcel on the subject of gases in steel ingots, and now present the following communication, sent to the *Iron-Age*, of London, England, by Mr. John Parry, of Ebbw Vale, bearing upon the same topic:

I have read with much interest the very interesting paper by Doctor Müller on the gases contained in steel, together with M. Pourcel's criticisms thereon. Doctor Müller, in stating that Bessemer steel, although containing a high percentage of silicon, is yet full of pores, quotes as a fact that which is directly opposed to my own experience, and also, I think, to that of many chemists and metallurgists. M. Pourcel, in attributing the pores, &c., to the incomplete mixture of the spiegel and the decarbonized iron, affords the only solution of the difficulty. I have long noted the fact that the addition of silicious spiegel (containing 20 per cent. manganese, 2 per cent. silicon) is attended with less ebullition than when ordinary spiegel, containing only 0.1 to 0.2 per cent. silicon, is used, the steel in both instances containing only 0.04 per cent. silicon. I have consequently never objected to the use of spiegel containing not more than 2 per cent. silicon, and am of opinion that when we have the three elements—silicon, carbon and manganese—together in the bath, silicon is preferentially oxidized; in other words, it has a greater affinity for the oxygen contained in the bath of blown metal, thus forming slag, and leaving a slight excess of carbon in the steel. With spiegel of normal composition the oxygen is eliminated in the form of carbonic oxide, thus causing violent ebullition and tending to the formation of blow-holes.

If I understand Doctor Müller aright, there is no reaction as described; on the contrary, the enormous volume of gases liberated is merely the elimination of previously absorbed gas. Obviously this requires explanation. I have found that carbon reacts on oxide of iron at a temperature of about 800°, forming carbonic oxide together with a little carbonic acid (*Journal of Iron and Steel Institute*, 1872). At a higher test the carbonic oxide is very rapidly evolved. It seems the majority of chemists and steel casters must ignore their previous teaching and experience ere they can agree with Doctor Müller as regards the non-reaction of carbon and oxygen. The assertion that silicon participates in no way in the oxidation process cannot be received without qualification. From my own practice and experience, I can confirm M. Pourcel's analyses. In ordinary Bessemer working, on adding silicious spiegel, the ordinary violent ebullition attended with evolution of carbonic oxide does not occur. The difference is so marked that the behavior of the bath on the addition of spiegel determines that a silicious spiegel has been added, or that the cast has been overblown. Oxygen, in the first instance, is eliminated in the slag; in the second place, the usual quantity of oxygen dissolved in the bath is absent. That silicon is retained during the blow, as with phosphorus, in the Thomas process, is disproved by the analyses of Mr. Snelus, showing that silicon is more rapidly oxidized than carbon. We must, therefore, accept M. Pourcel's explanation, or infer that Doctor Müller's observations are applicable only to metal of abnormal composition, such as no English steel manufacturer uses. It seems probable that the quantity of gas obtained by the method of drilling represents only a fraction of the total amount in the metal, and the method is further open to the objection that a portion may be from the water or oil under which the steel is being drilled. I have failed to obtain information on this point, but I believe Mr. E. W. Richards has said that a portion of the hydrogen was evolved from the water used.

No doubt a careful chemist like Doctor Müller has made satisfactory experiments, and has proved that his analyses are free from the above-mentioned probable source of error. His analyses are valuable as indicating relatively the quantity of free—or, more correctly, uncombined—gas locked up in the metal in the cavities or blow-holes, thereby mechanically weakening the steel, but it must be conceded, not affecting its chemical composition. Neither of these gentlemen have touched on this matter; their attention has apparently been confined to the confessedly important problem of producing solid, and consequently good, steel. Whether the quality of the steel is affected by the large quantity I have proved to be in solution irrespective of the H (which may or may not be in the blow-holes, &c.) as yet remains undecided. It is, however, very probable that steel saturated with hydrogen must resist oxidation better than steel containing little or none. My experiments are pretty well known; the recapitulation of them is, however, necessary to a fuller elucidation of my views. You must pardon me if I again quote them as briefly as possible:

1. The quantities of HCO, &c., are gently in excess of those given by Doctor Müller.
2. Carbonic oxide is not absorbed by heated steel.
3. Doubtful results, probably not absorbed.
4. Hydrogen readily absorbed. Absorption greater at high than low heat; highest temperature applied not above fusing point of gray iron.
5. Steel heated in vaporized zinc, cadmium, bismuth, &c.; also sulphur, phosphorus and arsenic absorb these ele-

ments—sulphur very rapidly absorbed in ore; for instance, iron absorbed 6.75 per cent. sulphur. 6. Zinc, cadmium, &c., as hydrogen, is evolved on reheating steel; sulphur, phosphorus and arsenic are retained. I failed to obtain the slightest indication of sulphur in the spectrum of the vapor evolved from the metal containing 6.75 sulphur. I have recently found that all iron and steels, when heated in vacuo, evolve copper as readily as hydrogen; manganese also volatilized, but with greater difficulty. The above elements are easily recognized in the spectrum of the vapor evolved in the

affect the quality of iron or steel! In the present state of our knowledge no certain reply can be given. Carbonic oxide affects steel mechanically only, as before described, unless we admit, with Deville, that the gas exists in the pores of the metals; he imagines an intermolecular porosity, finer even than that in the finest earthenware.

Absurdities of Patent Specifications.

It is a fiction of our patent laws that a patent must contain such a description of the thing patented as to enable one skilled

such absurdities as "imperforate" instead of "impervious," and "backwardly projecting," "bi-furcate," "upwardly projecting" and other similar terms, which were used with a frequency which does not speak well for the clearness of thought of the writers. There is also a growing tendency to introduce hyphens between words that cannot be compounded with any show of reason. A single number of the *Gazette* has given all our illustrations; could we go through it for a month or two, much more would be developed. The result of this tendency will be that a patent will be anything but what its name

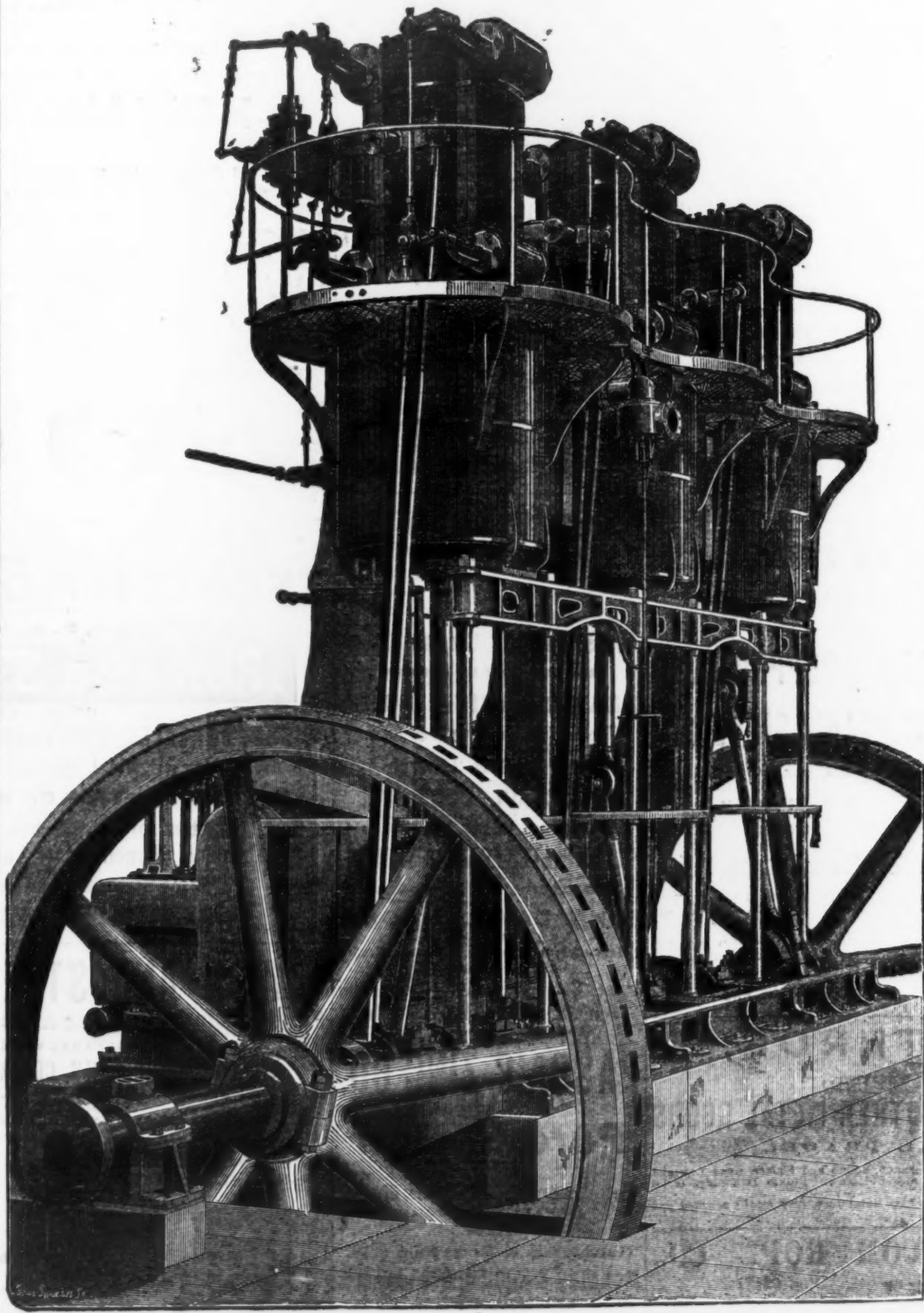
Future Fields of Enterprise.

Now that we have direct steam communication with Brazil by an American line, some among our mercantile classes who are inclined to foster an export trade may anticipate too much. True, the field is interesting, but it is beset by many embarrassments. To say nothing of the advantages which European competitors have already acquired from years of experience and possession, the paucity of the population and the very primitive habits of the large majority must come into the consideration. Alexander Del Mar, an intelligent mining engineer, who has enjoyed opportunities for extensive observation in that country, is satisfied that the total population does not exceed 5,000,000, although it is put down in the official papers at 9,500,000. In support of this assertion, Mr. Del Mar says further: "The population of Rio Janeiro is said to be 350,000, whereas it is a much smaller city than San Francisco. The population of Campanha, the principal town of Minas Geraes, is claimed to be 5000. It actually has about 500 houses and 2500 inhabitants. San Gonzalo, another town in Minas Geraes, is put down at 3000, whereas it contains not to exceed 1000. In the total population there are included 2,000,000 Indians. The Indians have never been numbered, and it is not known for a certainty that even 500,000 are in existence. None are to be seen by the traveler, and such as there are are hidden in the fastnesses of the Andes."

One consequence of this anomalous condition of population in Brazil is that the revenues of the State have to be raised entirely from commercial incidents, such as the importation, exportation and provincial passage of merchandise (*retro* duties), and from paper money and stamps, the latter having to be fixed to every conceivable sort of instrument, such as contracts, receipts, bills of exchange, checks, &c. There being few roads, traveling is mostly done on muleback at the rate of 20 miles a day. Of workshops there are almost none beyond the seaboard cities. Each man builds his own house, and procures from the coast such things as he is unable to make himself. The fireplace is built of sun-burnt brick, the smoke escaping through the thatch, and in the absence of stoves the ordinary food of the Brazilian is of the simplest description. The Emperor Dom Pedro, as every American knows, is an intelligent monarch, actuated by the noblest impulses, but is able to command only a few of those resources which are needed for the development of the splendid dominion comprising his jurisdiction. Even with the aid of immigration, which the Government is doing so much to encourage, and further assisted by foreign capital and foreign enterprise, it will be vain to expect a speedy realization of the brilliant hopes which many are prone to indulge. We cannot doubt, however, that both Brazil and Mexico, as well as parts of Central America, must eventually take a much higher rank among commercial States.

New Engines for the English Mint.

The English Mint, though long by tradition the most wonderful institution of the kind in the world, has at last outgrown its antiquated machinery, and it became necessary not only to renew a considerable portion of it, but also to supply new engines. Of all the new machinery which has been put in, the engines by Messrs. Maudslay, Sons & Field, London, are the most interesting. As shown in our cut, Fig. 1, they are operated by a modified Corliss gear, the details of which we give in the outline diagrams. The engines consist of three separate compound tandem engines with inverted cylinders, and can be worked singly or coupled together. The middle engine is only used in case one of the other engines is stopped, its crank at other times being replaced by an intermediate shaft, which is straight. The governor is of the Porter type. The cylinders, as shown in Fig. 2, are cast with separate liners, the casing forming a steam jacket. The valves themselves are located in the jacket, and are of the Corliss type, with variations under the Musgrave patents. In Fig. 3, P represents the high pressure cylinder, which is set directly on top of the low-pressure cylinder. B is the eccentric connecting-rod with rock-arm D. This arm works the rods C and C', which give motion to the steam valves in the cases M and M'. The length of these connecting-rods is adjusted, as is usual, by the screws F and F'. L, L, and L' in Fig. 3, and L' in Fig. 4, work the exhaust-valves in the cases E. The rods C and C' are cut away so as to catch alternately on a trip-piece. The pin is controlled by the levers R and R', which are attached by the rod B to the governor. This rod and its connections are adjustable by the nuts F and F'. The movement of the valve is effected through the medium of a lever, as shown, against the resistance of springs in the air-cylinder A. Consequently, the higher these rods R and R' are held by the governor, the sooner will the edge of the short rods C and C' pass the trip-piece in the central part of the pin. The whole arrangement seems to have been worked out with an idea of following the Corliss practice as closely as possible, and at the same time introduce certain variations. The low-pressure cylinders are worked on an altogether different plan, having double-ported slide-valves worked by a separate eccentric. The air pumps are



NEW ENGINES CONSTRUCTED FOR THE ENGLISH MINT.

heating the metal in vacuo. Messrs. Müller and Pourcel appear to treat the question of the gases in steel as a general one—that steel absorbs gas much as water does, and that it is evolved under like conditions. My experiments obviously do not support their views; they indicate that iron or steel combine with the elements as follows: 1. Alloys are formed with the metals, hydrogen, zinc, &c.; these are decomposed by heat; the lighter and more volatile elements are partially eliminated at a rate dependent on the time and temperature applied. 2. Chemical combinations are formed with sulphur, phosphorus and arsenic, similar to iron oxide. These may be termed, indifferently, sulphurized, phosphorized or oxidized iron. 3. Carbonic oxide has no affinity for iron and steel; no alloys or chemical combinations are formed as above defined. We have for consideration: Do alloys, Class I,

in the art to produce the article. When one turns to the *Official Gazette* of the Patent Office and looks over the specifications and claims of patents, he comes to the conclusion that one much more needs to be skilled in the slang of patent agents than in the arts. The most extraordinary combination of words and sentences is found, and it would seem that the principal aim of many patent lawyers and patent agents is to conceal the ideas by the use of a slang which shall be unintelligible. In a recent number of the *Gazette*, we find a patent in which the words "substantially as set forth" occur three times in one single short sentence, yet the "setting forth" so far as we could see, had not been done in any portion of the patent or its claim. The "herein described" and "hereinbefore mentioned" and similar imitations of legal phrases were introduced without rhyme or reason. We also found

denotes, and we apprehend that a large proportion of those granted within the last two or three years will be utterly valueless until the courts have decided what the jargon employed really means in plain English. If this rubbish did convey a clear meaning to any one there might be some excuse for it and it would be tolerated, but it conveys ideas neither to examiner, patentee nor public. We must not, however, be understood as saying that these criticisms apply to all patents. Occasionally one is met with where the clearness and accuracy of the language, both from the literary and mechanical standpoint, leave nothing to be desired. We call to mind some that are models of mechanical description. Such patents are their own defense. They are not spring traps laid with the hope of catching some unwary infringer by means of legal juggling.

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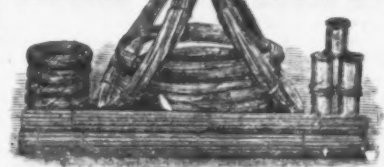
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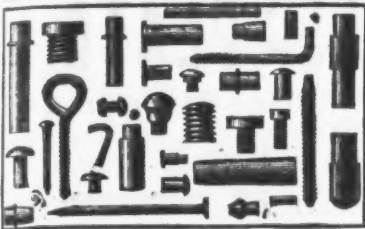
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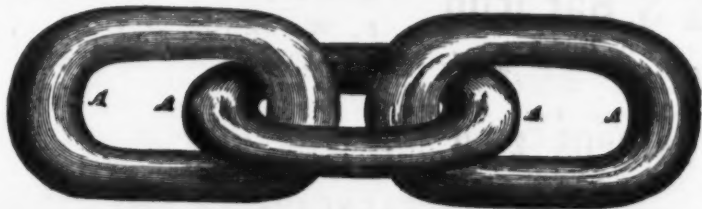
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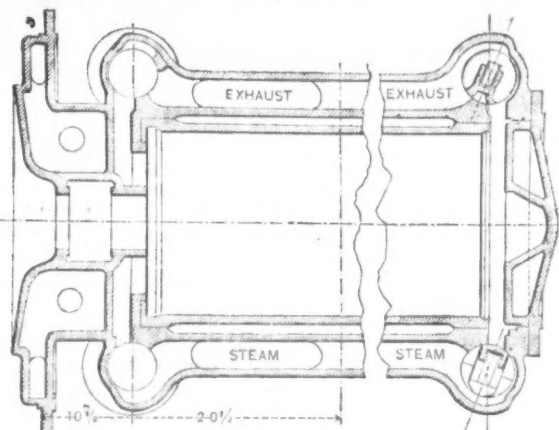
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New Engines for the English Mint.—Fig. 2.—Section through Cylinder and Valves.

links and beams can be partly seen through the fly-wheel in Fig. 1.
To overcome the difficulty sometimes met in keeping the gland between the cylinders tight, a door is placed so that this gland can be easily extent being visible when bars are put into all the mills simultaneously. Some of the machinery which was retained when the Mint was remodeled is reported to be in good condition. • One machine especially is spoken

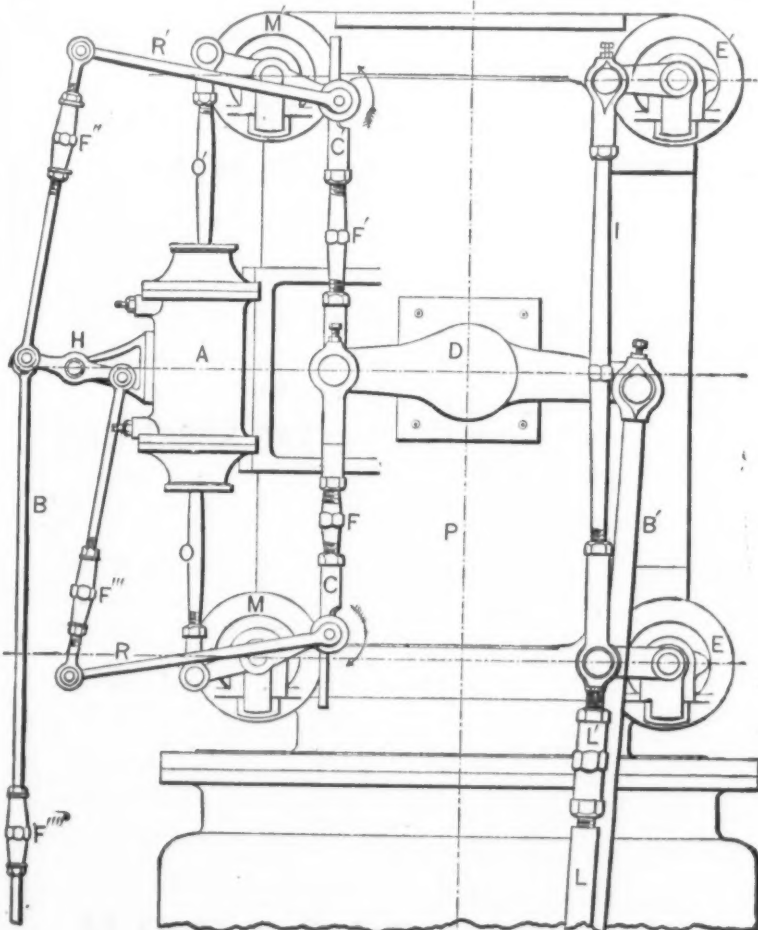


Fig. 3.—The High-Pressure Cylinder and Valve Gear.

reached. The packing consists of two rectangular blocks of metal, each of them being cut out on one side to cover half the rod. The fly-wheels are 14 feet in diameter and weigh 10 tons, and are on the first length of shafting which is continued into the rolling mill. The which was made by Henry Maudslay, and bears the date of 1816.

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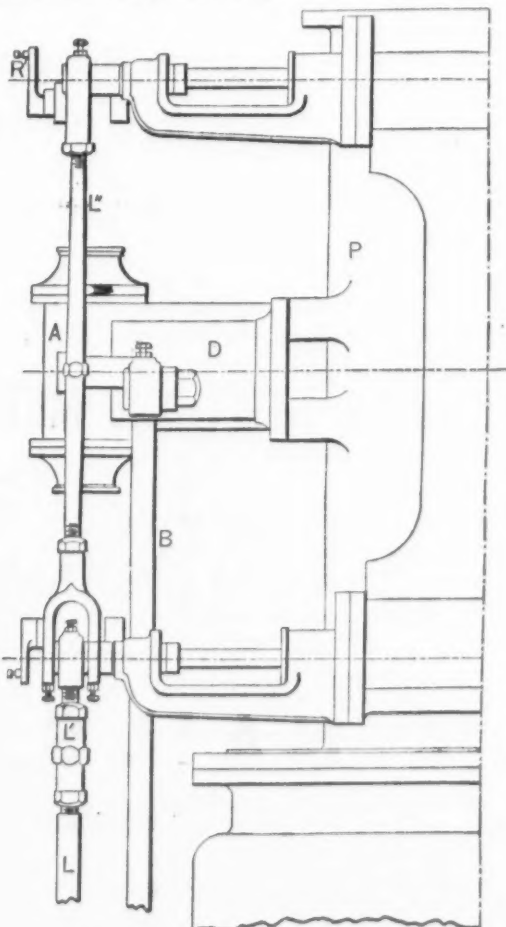


Fig. 4.—Side View of Valve Gear.

notches in the fly-wheel are for the purpose of turning the engine over without steam, by means of a claw and hydraulic jack. Their forms are such that the claw falls out of gear if the engines start ahead. The bars rolled in the rolling mills are exceedingly short, and hence the work thrown upon the in a certain condition some curious results were obtained. In water containing saltpeter and air free from carbonic acid, lead and zinc were most violently attacked, tin and Britannia metal only a little, and copper, brass and German silver not at all.

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AMERICAN FOUNDRY PRACTICE. By Thomas D.
West. Size, 3 1/2 x 6 inches; 261 pages. Price, \$1.50.
Published by John Wiley & Sons.

A short time since, we received an inter-
esting work bearing the above title, which,
we think, will meet with a very favorable
reception among the class of mechanics for
whom it is specially intended. The author,
Mr. Thomas D. West, is well known as a
practical molder, and his remarks, which
convey a large amount of useful infor-
mation bearing upon the subject considered, are
arranged in an attractive and very pleasing
form, the author having endeavored to select
such matter as would illustrate the varied
workings of different castings, and to offer
problems for thought and study to practical
molders. The book being intended for
practical men, the remarks made are of such
a nature as to render everything connected
with foundry practice plain and practical,
and in his endeavors the author has been
eminently successful. The book, which em-
braces some 391 pages, is provided with
numerous illustrations from drawings made
by the author, and these will be found to
lend considerable aid in more thoroughly
comprehending the various operations. Some
interesting comments are submitted on the
molder and his trade, and sound advice is given
to such who propose to follow the profession.
Green-sand molding is treated of at some
length, and the various operations gone
through in molding and casting fly-wheels,
large and small pulleys, bevel and spur
wheels, &c., are described. Attention is
also given to the proper care of iron and
wooden flasks, skimming and flow-off gates,
and to "one hundred items that apprentices
should know and remember," and
these, we would mention, are indeed worth
remembering, containing, as they do, valu-
able practical information in a condensed
form. Interesting sections are devoted to
the building and firing of large ovens, ovens
for drying small cores, casting anvil blocks,
molding rolls and making roll flasks, and a
host of other subjects too numerous to re-
ceive mention here. Under the head of
"Manipulation of Iron Castings," the author
dwells upon the various difficulties encoun-
tered in melting and casting the iron, and
the methods to be pursued in order to suc-
cessfully overcome them, and foundry man-
agers, by referring to these pages, will
undoubtedly find assistance of such a nature
as will materially diminish their labors and
remove to some extent the dangers of fail-
ure. The concluding pages of the book are
devoted to valuable notes and receipts relat-
ing to blacking, loam, dry-sand and core-
sand mixtures, green-sand facings, clean-
ing castings, and tables of weights of
castings. The melting of iron, already re-
ferred to, is a subject which will be found
quite condensed and simple in its treatment,
although it is of great importance, and from
the ample illustrated workings of the foundry
cupola and its management many valuable
and practical ideas will undoubtedly be
derived.
All the matter contained in the book is the
result of many years' experience and prac-
tice on the part of the author, not only as a
workman in, but also as a manager of,
foundries. Mr. West, having traveled over
and been employed in different sections of
the country, has had an opportunity of
obtaining a varied practical knowledge of
American foundry practice, and this he has
reproduced in the work here considered.
The field for thought and study in foundry
practice, as the author very appropriately
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from a perusal of this book by the practical
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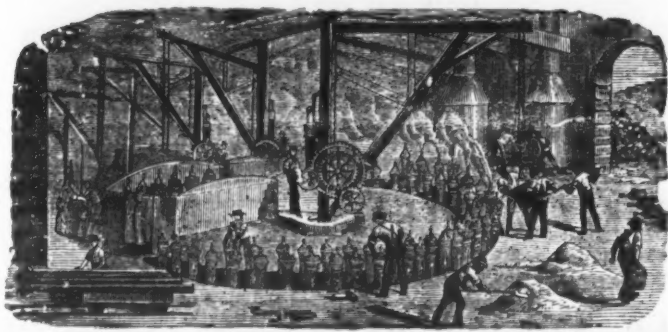
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By S. W. Robinson. Size, 3 1/2 x 6 inches; 175
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have undoubtedly often found that investiga-
tions concerning the strength of bridge mem-
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perusal of the various text-books on the
subject. The author, in making examina-
tions of existing bridges for strength and
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the part of others of the large amount of
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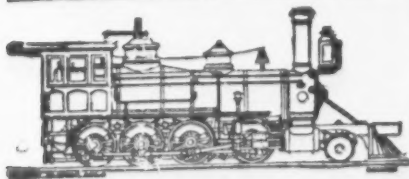
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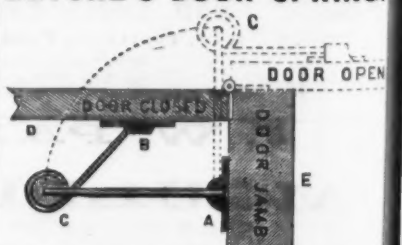


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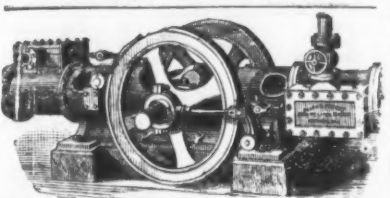
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RECENT PRACTICE IN MARINE ENGINEERING. By William H. Maw. Published at the offices of Engineering, London, England, and by John Wiley & Sons, New York.

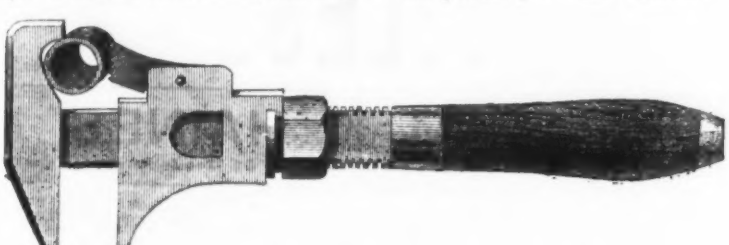
This work, which is to appear simultaneously in London and New York, in 12 monthly parts, imperial quarto, is intended to give an illustrated account of the leading types of marine engines constructed in the past 10 years, both here and in Europe. Besides marine engines, it will also contain descriptions and illustrations of other machinery, such as dredges, engines for cable towing systems on rivers and canals, &c. Part I will contain: First-Class Torpedo Boat for the British Government, with Com-

Donohue's Improved Wrench.

Mr. Bernard D. Donohue, of Yonkers, N. Y., has recently invented an improved wrench, which is illustrated in the accompanying engravings, and which embodies several novel and very valuable features. Mr. Donohue's invention relates to an improvement upon a duplex monkey and pipe wrench which he brought out some time since, and which was provided on one side with a yielding spring-jaw, to serve, in conjunction with a stationary jaw, as a pipe wrench.

The object of Mr. Donohue's present invention is to provide improved means for arresting the tail end of this jaw as its forward end is swung out, and at the same time to avoid any increase in the size of the slide. It was also intended to provide an improved arrangement of spring and means for checking the inward movement of the rear end of the jaw as its forward end is swung away from the slide. These objects are attained by forming the slide with a raised seat or solid abutment in the rear end of the recess in which the jaw is pivoted, so that when the forward toothed end of the jaw is swung away from the slide, its rear end will be arrested at the proper moment by the seat above referred to, and the movement of the pivoted jaw is thus limited. A spring is, moreover, located in the recess which is formed in the raised seat, so that the spring, while acting to throw the tail end of the jaw away from the slide, will be pressed within the recess when the forward toothed end is swung out.

In our engravings Fig. 1 represents a perspective view of the wrench, Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section, while Fig. 3 is a view of the pivoted jaw when detached. The



Donohue's Improved Wrench.—Fig. 1.—General View.

stock of the wrench A is provided at one of its ends with a T-head, B, adapted to constitute the fixed or stationary jaw of the wrench, while the other end is provided with a recess, F, between the walls, to which the jaw G is pivoted. The forward end of this pivoted jaw, which extends from the recess of the slide, is provided with an inclined gripping surface, G', which is serrated so as to take better hold upon the object to be grasped, while the fixed jaw B', on the head of the stock, is concave, with or without serrations, whereby such articles as a pipe or cylinder can be gripped by these jaws in the manner of a pipe-wrench.

In order to relieve the pivot from the strain in turning a pipe, Mr. Donohue makes the pivoted jaw with shoulders, G', shown in Fig. 3, which when the jaw is close down in the recess, as shown in Fig. 2, lie against the ends of the vertical walls formed by

recessing the slide. The pivot hole is made larger than the pivot, so that the shoulders can take a bearing without throwing a strain on the pivot. Hence when the jaw is turned upon the pivot so as to move upward from the recess, the shoulders G' will be brought against these surfaces, and the pin which holds the jaw in place is thus relieved from the strain. In order to effectively limit the movement of this jaw, the inventor also provided in the rear end of the recess a raised seat, H, shown in Fig. 2, which is formed by a projecting portion of the slide at this point. This seat or abutment is located directly under the rear end or tail of the jaw, and is provided with a socket, A, in which is fitted a spring-cushion, I. The latter is composed either of a metallic spring or fine elastic block of rubber or other elastic material, and acts against the tail of the jaw, thus causing the latter to lie

normally in the recess, as shown in Fig. 2, the upper side of the body of the jaw being about flush with the top edges of the sides of the recess. When the front end of the jaw is raised, this spring naturally offers a yielding resistance to the jaw, and in case of very great pressure upon the free end its rear end will compress the spring, and be forced against the seat H. The tail of the jaw is recessed at its under side, as at K, Fig. 2, so as to allow space for the spring and the elevated stop or seat. The spring bears against the tail portion of the jaw some distance back of the pivot, which is as a point forward of the elevated seat. It will thus be seen that these parts of the wrench can be arranged in a compact manner, and that its bulk will not be increased. The wrench is neatly finished, and the outer edges of the slide and double stationary jaw are rounded off, so as to present a smooth and finished exterior.

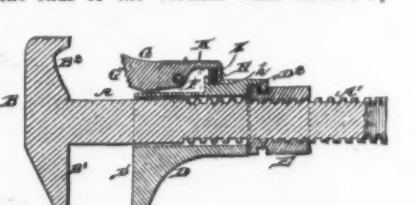


Fig. 2.—Longitudinal Section of Gripping Device.

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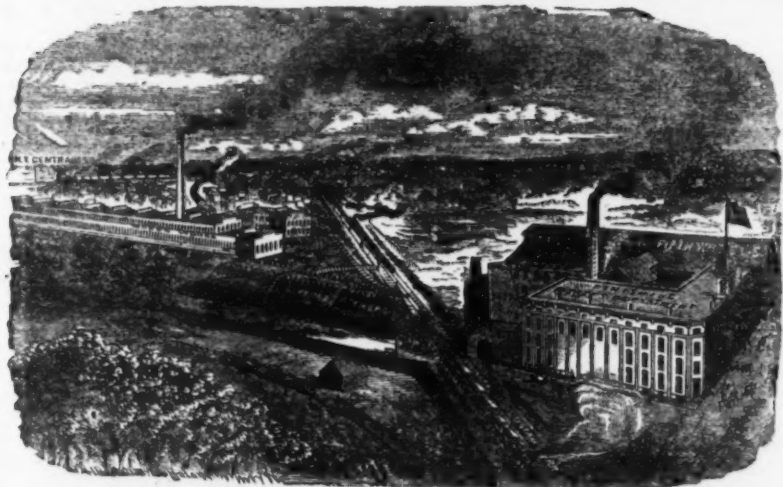
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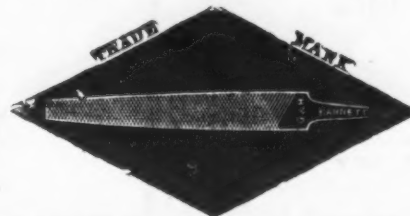
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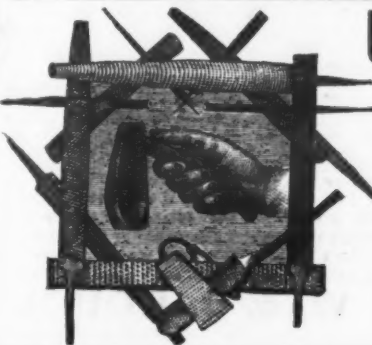
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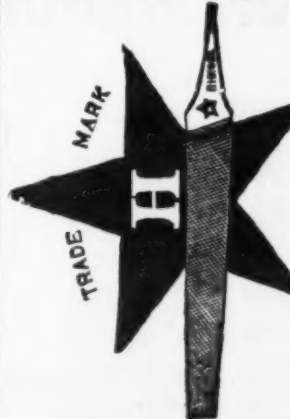
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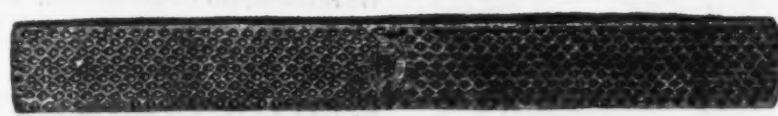
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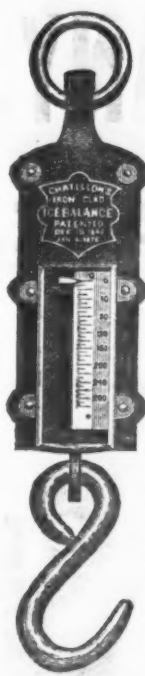
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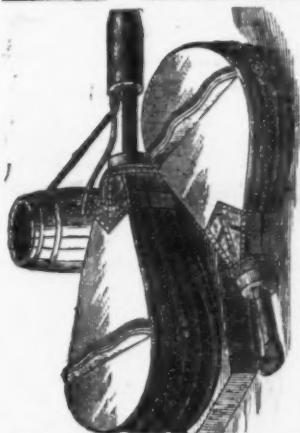


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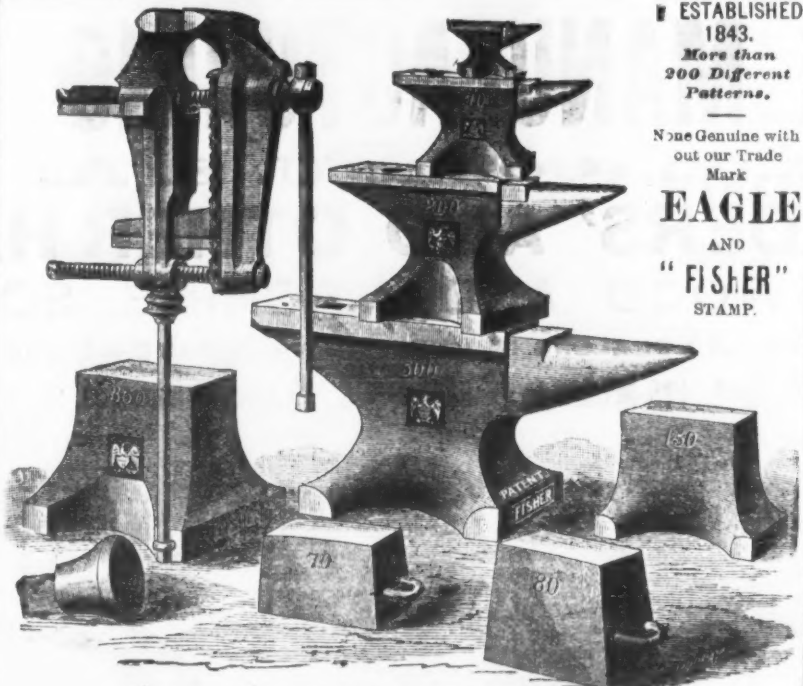
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Our Trade with Mexico.

The State Department has just published a letter from the Secretary, on the commercial relations of the United States with the rest of the world, in which the following figures bearing on the subject are given: During the fiscal year 1880—the latest year of which statistics are obtainable—there were imported into the United States from Mexico merchandise to the value of \$8,317,802, of which hides and skins were the most important, footing up to \$2,111,750. Coffee came next, \$1,730,838; jute and other grasses, \$1,634,215; india-rubber and gutta-percha, \$315,059; woods, \$329,295; lead, \$27,661; wool, \$99,479; medicinal barks, \$147,491. During the fiscal year 1881 there were exported to Mexico from the United States articles valued at \$11,191,238, an increase of upward of \$3,250,000 in value over the preceding year. This increase covered almost all articles of American manufacture, but was most marked in iron and steel, the increase in products manufactured from this mineral being \$1,267,000. Cotton goods, too, of American manufacture find an increased demand, \$186,000 worth more being exported during 1881 than during 1880. The principal articles of export to Mexico were as follows:

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Iron and steel manufactures..... | \$1,360,344 |
| Cotton manufactures..... | 1,018,640 |
| Woolen manufactures..... | 515,483 |
| Refined petroleum..... | 173,455 |
| Leather manufactures..... | 134,160 |
| Tobacco..... | 135,474 |
| Quicksilver..... | 428,159 |
| Lard..... | 139,597 |
| Sewing machines..... | 179,555 |
| Refined sugar..... | 59,459 |
| Gunpowder..... | 145,397 |

The Secretary thinks that with the growth of railroads and their attendant industries, and under fairly favorable circumstances, the import trade of Mexico will double its present proportions during the next five years, and he believes that the United States can secure at least half of this if proper care is taken to supply the Mexican market with products of our manufactures of as good quality and at as low a price as our foreign competitors.

Condensed Results of the Tenth Census.

Although we have published from time to time, from advance sheets, much of the information contained in the bulky volume just issued by the Census Office, yet some extracts showing more clearly by comparison the immense strides in our industrial growth during the decade from 1870 to 1880 will be found of interest and value.

In 1870 there were 252,143 manufacturing establishments, with a capital of \$2,118,208,769; in 1880 there were 253,852 establishments, with a capital of \$2,790,272,606. The wages paid in 1870 was \$775,584,343; in 1880, \$947,953,795. In 1870 the material used was valued at \$2,488,427,242, and the product at \$4,232,325,442; in 1880 the material had increased in value to \$3,306,823,549, and the product to \$5,369,579,191.

STEAM AND WATER AS A POWER IN MANUFACTURES.

The statistics of steam and water power used in manufactures shows a grand total horse-power for the United States in 1880 of 3,410,832; in 1870 of 2,346,142, showing a percentage of increase of 45.38. It may be interesting to note the amount of power available in some of the more important industries and the percentage of increase, and the total number of hands employed in the industries as reported in the statistics of manufactures, and the amount of power available per hand according to the census of 1880 and 1870, in order to show the relations of the manufacture of iron and steel thereto:

| | Total steam and water power, H. P. | Number of hands employed. | Power per hand employed, H. P. | Per cent. of increase in total power. |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Cotton goods. | 1870..... 775,504 1880..... 146,040 | 1870..... 185,473 1880..... 135,510 | 1870..... 4.18 1880..... 1.08 | 88.65 |
| Flouring and grist mill products. | 1870..... 771,801 1880..... 577,686 | 1870..... 58,407 1880..... 58,448 | 1870..... 13.20 1880..... 9.87 | 33.73 |
| Iron and steel. | 1870..... 197,547 1880..... 101,675 | 1870..... 140,978 1880..... 77,535 | 1870..... 1.39 1880..... 1.30 | 5.75 |
| Lumber sawed. | 1870..... 891,928 1880..... 641,065 | 1870..... 147,956 1880..... 149,097 | 1870..... 5.99 1880..... 4.28 | 28.04 |
| Paper. | 1870..... 123,918 1880..... 53,818 | 1870..... 24,492 1880..... 17,010 | 1870..... 5.07 1880..... 2.97 | 41.84 |
| Silk and silk g'ds. | 1870..... 8,810 1880..... 1,911 | 1870..... 31,337 1880..... 6,699 | 1870..... 0.28 1880..... 0.29 | 361.02 |
| Woolen goods. | 1870..... 106,507 1880..... 85,101 | 1870..... 86,504 1880..... 77,870 | 1870..... 1.23 1880..... 1.09 | 25.15 |
| Worsted goods. | 1870..... 16,437 1880..... 8,016 | 1870..... 18,893 1880..... 12,960 | 1870..... 0.87 1880..... 0.62 | 105.05 |

The relative amount of steam and of water power used in the manufacture of iron and steel, as returned at the census of 1880 and 1870, was:

| | Water power, per cent. | Steam power, per cent. |
|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1880..... | 4.16 | 95.84 |
| 1870..... | 9.78 | 90.22 |

In 1880, in the manufacture of iron and steel in 781 establishments, there were used 360 water-wheels of 16,506 horse-power, and 7237 boilers and 3205 engines of 380,741 horse-power, making a total of steam and water of 397,247 horse-power.

MINING STATISTICS.

Under the head of mining, the condensed statement of mineral production of regular mining establishments of non-precious minerals for the United States in 1880 shows some interesting facts respecting iron ore. This ore was mined in 23 States and Territories, 160 counties, and at 805 establishments, producing in the census year 1880, 7,064,829 tons of 2000 pounds; value of product, \$20,470,756; value of materials consumed, \$2,896,011; men employed, 30,080; boys employed, 1,588; wages paid, \$9,538,117; steam engines used, \$27, of 24,828

horse-power; value of all machinery, including engines, \$3,211,558, and capital employed and invested, \$61,782,287. In addition to the above regular product there was an irregular product of 909,877 tons, valued at \$2,686,201. In the regular establishments for the same period the value of machinery per ton raised yearly was \$0.45; tons raised yearly per horse-power of engines, 284; the same in 1870, 396; value produced per horse-power of engines in 1880, \$824; the same in 1870, \$1540; material used per ton, 1880, \$0.41; the same, 1870, \$0.38; wages paid per ton, 1880, \$1.35; the same in 1870, \$2.01; value produced per hand per year 1880, \$646; the same in 1870, \$879; tons raised per hand per year 1880, 223; the same, 1870, 226; wages paid per hand per year, \$304; the same, 1870, \$455; per cent. of value of production paid for labor, 1880, .46; 1870, .518; the same for materials, 1880, .141; in 1870, .97; value of product per ton, 1880, \$2.90; in 1870, \$3.89; increase in the number of employees, 110.8; in the value of product, 55; in the tonnage of product, 108.1; in the value of materials used, 126.3; in the total capital employed, 247.6.

COMPARISON OF PRODUCT OF MINERALS.

In referring to the production of other non-precious minerals for comparison in the census year 1880, the following figures may be interesting:

| | Quantities | Value. |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| Anthracite coal, tons..... | 28,549,812 | \$42,196,670 |
| Bituminous coal, regular product, tons..... | 41,860,055 | 52,427,828 |
| Bituminous coal, irregular product, tons..... | 916,769 | 1,090,395 |
| Iron ore, regular product, tons..... | 7,064,829 | 20,470,756 |
| Iron ore, irregular product, tons..... | 909,877 | 2,686,201 |
| Metallic copper, lbs..... | 54,173,117 | 8,458,434 |
| Metallic lead, lbs..... | 162,031,105 | 7,915,149 |
| Metallic zinc, lbs..... | 62,661,459 | 4,840,006 |
| Various minerals..... | | 3,387,444 |

COMPARISON OF VALUES AND RATES.

A comparison of values and rates paid in different localities shows:

| State. | Product. | Value. | Value per ton. | Wages paid per ton. | Mtl. cons. per ton. |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Michigan..... | 1,817,712 | 6,031,548 | \$3.30 | \$1.40 | \$0.51 |
| New York..... | 1,930,759 | 3,490,137 | 1.82 | 1.39 | 0.49 |
| New Jersey..... | 754,872 | 2,970,442 | 3.84 | 2.13 | 0.77 |
| All others..... | 3,317,456 | 8,039,534 | 2.42 | 1.19 | 0.26 |

The Quicksilver Trade.

Reports from San Francisco indicate that the foreign demand for quicksilver at that port has been quite steady for the past three years, the principal markets supplied being China and Mexico. Smaller shipments, of course, are made to a number of other markets, the consignments of which, however, when put together, do not amount to as much as either one of the two principal sources of demand. Of these two China is the more important, though the shipments are made to Hong Kong, rather than to China. The Chinese consume a large quantity of the metal in their compounds, particularly in colors. This element of consumption has long been in existence and is considered permanent, with a prospect of slow but steady increase. Mexico uses the metal extensively in her various mines, and though the demand last year was less than for any year since 1878, the consumption is not by any means falling off. The decrease in last year's demand is attributed to the fact that in 1881 the demand was greater than for any previous year, though some of the consignments forwarded were lost at sea.

The exports of quicksilver from San Francisco by water for the year 1882 were as follows:

| | Flasks. | Value. |
|-------------------------|---------|-------------|
| New York..... | 1,100 | \$34,500 |
| Hina and Hong Kong..... | 19,451 | 500,718 |
| Japan..... | 600 | 17,500 |
| Australia..... | 1,600 | 50,000 |
| New Zealand..... | 105 | 3,040 |
| South America..... | 1,950 | 59,437 |
| Central America..... | 65 | 1,819 |
| Mexico..... | 9,738 | 289,739 |
| Other ports..... | 28 | 521 |
| Totals..... | 34,771 | \$1,017,756 |

The shipments for the four years previous, which may prove of interest in this connection, were:

| | Flasks. | Value. |
|--------------|---------|-------------|
| In 1881..... | 35,254 | \$1,030,773 |
| In 1880..... | 34,183 | 1,039,761 |
| In 1879..... | 38,438 | 1,135,498 |
| In 1878..... | 34,110 | 1,123,647 |

In addition to the shipments by water in 1882, it is known that 5183 flasks were forwarded overland in the first 11 months of that year, nearly 50 per cent. of which was sent directly from San Francisco. Prices for 1882 were steady, at an average of about 37 cents. At the close of the year, under a decline in London to 25. 10/ per bottle, the rate here fell to 35 cents per pound, and it is thought that the present demoralized condition of the market is attributable to the threat to put quicksilver on the free list.

The Basic Process in Europe.

It appears from some recently published statistics relating to the iron and steel trades of the world that there are now in England 23 steel works, with about 115 converters, having a capacity of 1,461,000 tons per annum; Austria has 14 steel works, with 36 converters, and a capacity of 350,000 tons; Belgium, 4 steel works, with 18 converters and a production of 380,000 tons; France, 7 works, with 34 converters, giving a production of 632,000 tons; Germany has 23 Bessemer and Thomas steel works, with 80 converters and a productive capacity of about 1,300,000 tons; Russia has 5 works, with 10 converters and a production of 100,000 tons; and Sweden, 35 converters of 80,000 tons capacity. Adding to these the total number in operation in the United States, we find that there are altogether about 360 converters, with an aggregate annual productive capacity in round numbers of 5,800,000 tons of steel. The steel position occupied by the Thomas Gilchrist process is well shown by the large amount of basic steel turned out during the month of October last. In this respect Germany holds the first position, with an output

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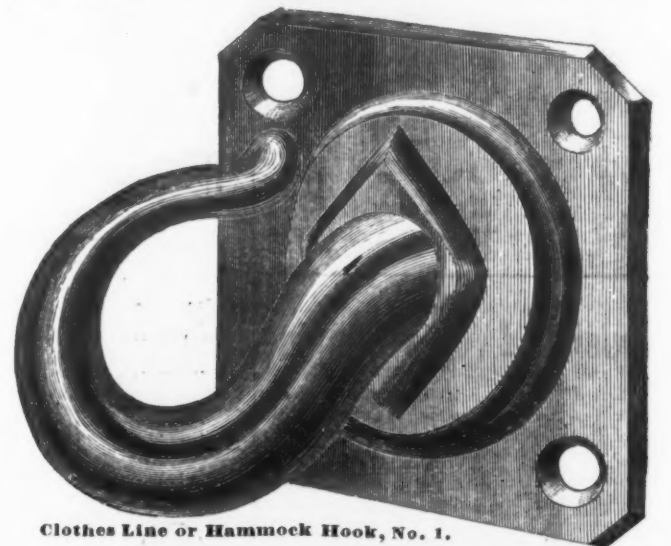
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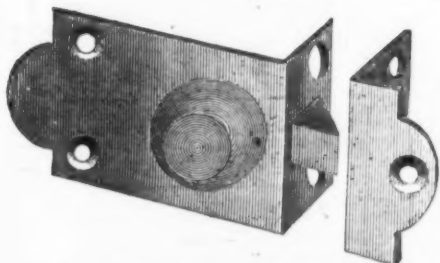
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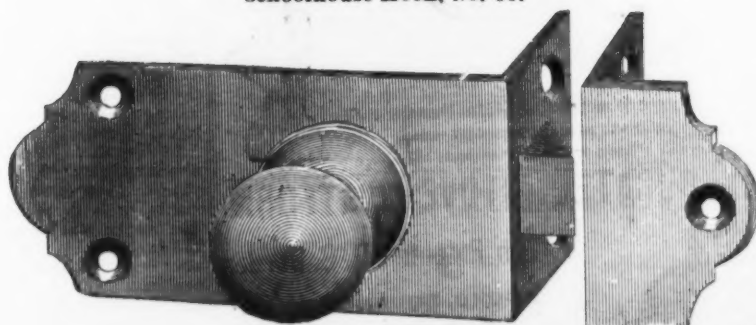
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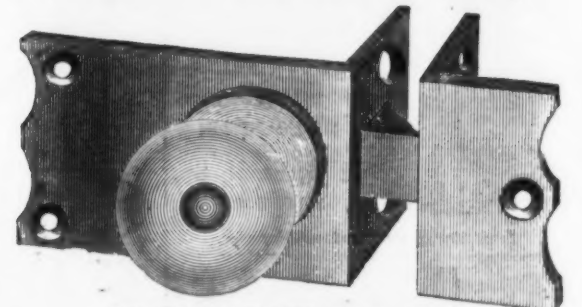
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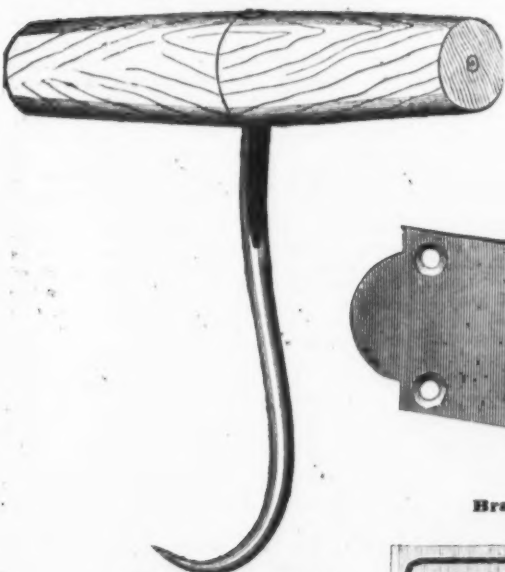
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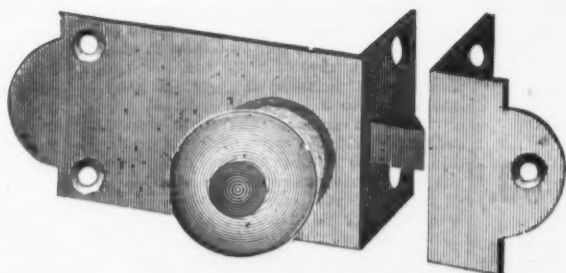
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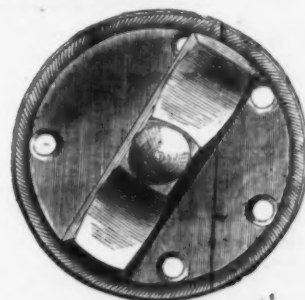
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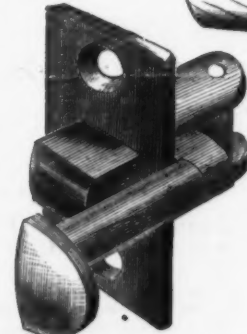
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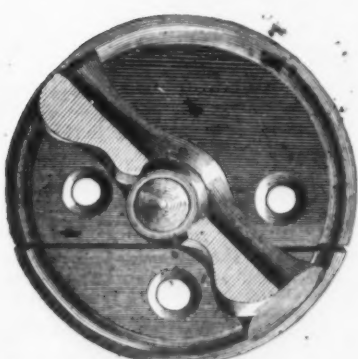
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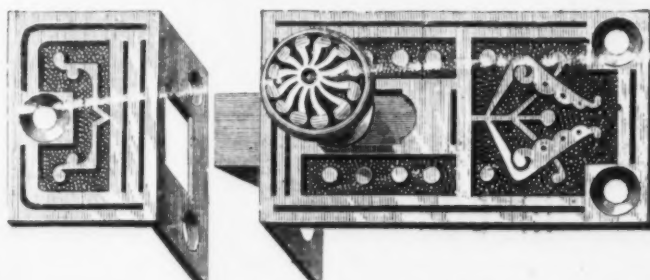
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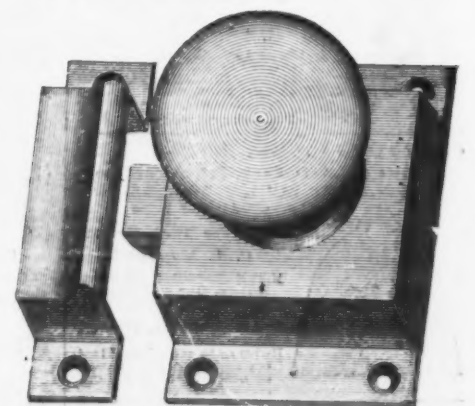
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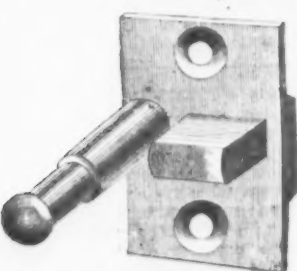
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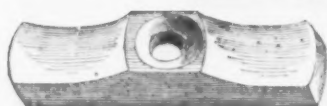
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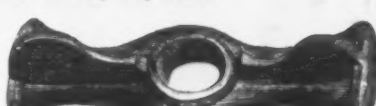
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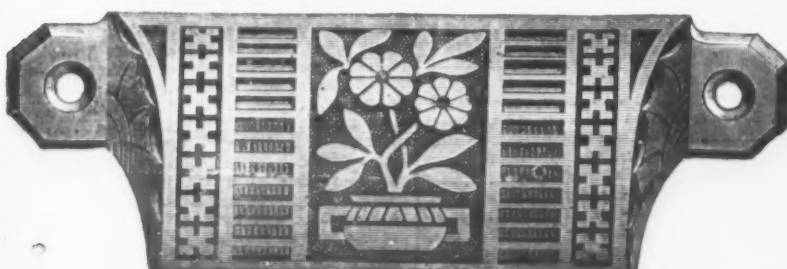
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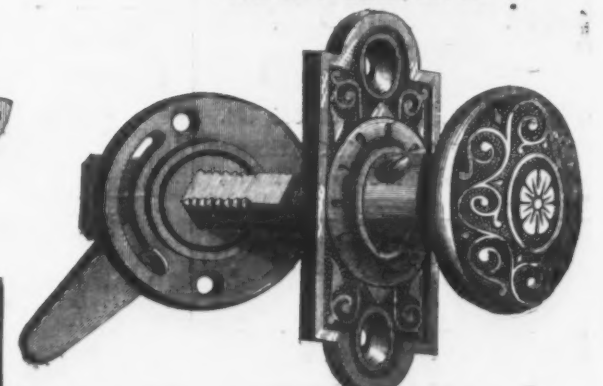
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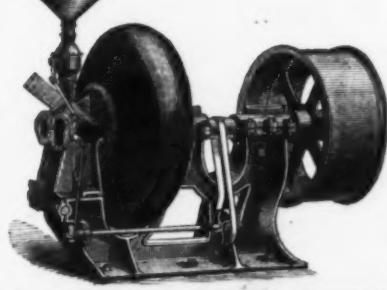
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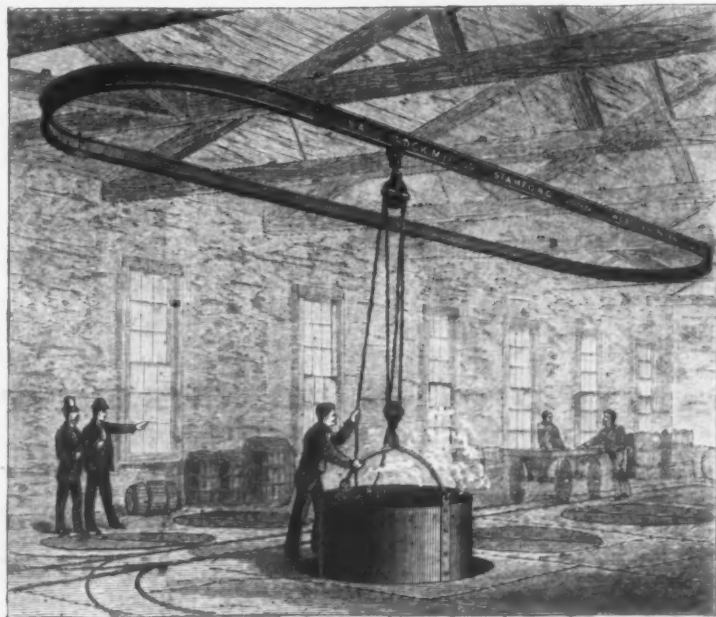
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of 25,170 tons of basic steel by eight firms. England stands next with an output of 9,500 tons by one firm. Austria shows an output of 7,700 tons by three firms; Belgium, 1,687 tons by one firm; Russia, 1,270 tons by one firm; and France, 1,240 tons by one firm. We thus have a total output of basic steel for the month of October of 46,537 tons by 15 firms. When it is considered that the process is still but little more than in its infancy, this output may be taken as highly encouraging.

The following is a list of the European steel works in which the Thomas-Gilchrist process has been adopted down to the end of 1882. The first column shows the total number of converters at work; the second indicates the number already working the basic process, and the third column gives the number of converters now being constructed for working it:

| GERMANY. | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Ars-sur-Moselle..... | 0 | 0 |
| Bochumer Verein..... | 5 | 3 |
| Burklacher Stahlwerk..... | 0 | 0 |
| Dietrich (Niederbrunn)..... | 0 | 0 |
| Dillingen..... | 0 | 0 |
| Dortmunder Union..... | 4 | 3 |
| Glückaufhütte..... | 4 | 2 |
| Hörder Verein..... | 0 | 1 |
| Isabell..... | 2 | 2 |
| Phoenix (Ruhrt)..... | 2 | 0 |
| Rothe Erde (Aachen)..... | 1 | 3 |
| Rheinische Stahlwerk (Ruhrt)..... | 4 | 2 |
| Stumm (Neunkirchen)..... | 2 | 0 |
| De Wendel (Hayange)..... | 4 | 4 |

| ENGLAND. | | |
|--|---|---|
| Bolelaw, Vaughan & Co..... | 8 | 4 |
| Patent Shaft and Axletree Co..... | 4 | 0 |
| North-Eastern Steel Co..... | 0 | 4 |
| Staffordshire Steel and Ingot Iron Co..... | 0 | 0 |

* In course of alteration.

| FRANCE. | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|---|
| Longwy..... | 0 | 0 |
| Mont-Louis..... | 0 | 0 |
| Saint-Nazaire..... | 0 | 0 |
| Creusot..... | 0 | 0 |
| Schneider et de Wendel (Jouff)..... | 2 | 3 |
| Société du Nord et de l'Est..... | 72 | 0 |

* And one Siemens furnace.

* Will shortly work basic.

| AUSTRIA. | | |
|------------------------|---|---|
| Kladno..... | 4 | 3 |
| Maximilians-Hütte..... | 2 | 0 |
| Teplitz..... | 2 | 1 |
| Witkowitz..... | 4 | 2 |

| BELGIUM. | | |
|--------------|---|---|
| Angleur..... | 6 | 4 |
| Athus..... | 0 | 0 |

| LUXEMBOURG. | | |
|------------------|---|---|
| Metz et Cie..... | 0 | 0 |

| RUSSIA. | | |
|---------------|---|---|
| Varsovie..... | 4 | 0 |

At the following works the proprietors have taken out licenses to work the basic process:

| ENGLAND. | | |
|----------------------------|----|---|
| Blaenavon Iron Works..... | 2 | 0 |
| Brown, Bayley & Dixon..... | 0 | 0 |
| John Brown & Co..... | 16 | 0 |
| Charles Cammell & Co..... | 3 | 0 |
| Cardington Iron Works..... | 2 | 0 |
| Dowlais Iron Works..... | 6 | 0 |
| Erismu Steel Works..... | 2 | 0 |
| Steel Co. of Scotland..... | 0 | 0 |
| Wilson, Cammell & Co..... | 4 | 0 |

* Four out of use.

| FRANCE. | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Chatillon et Commentry..... | 2 | 0 |
| Dessau..... | 4 | 0 |
| Saint-Chamond..... | 0 | 0 |

| BELGIUM. | | |
|-------------|---|---|
| Ougrée..... | 2 | 0 |

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We have received the illustrated price list and catalogue of the United States Stamping Company, dated January, 1883. This is a book of 151 pages, profusely illustrated, and in its general arrangement is well calculated to meet the requirements of the customers whom it is intended to serve. The salesroom of the company is at No. 58 Beekman street, this city, while the factories and office are at Portland, Conn. One feature we notice in the cover, which distinguishes it from many other trade publications bound in paper, is that on the back edge, in clear letters, appears the name of the company. Thus, if the catalogue is placed with others in a book-case, or lies flat upon the desk in a pile, there is but little difficulty in selecting it when it is wanted. The company direct special attention to their heavy plain piece ware and heavy polished ware. The objections that have been so strenuously urged against factory piece ware of late years have produced a demand for a better grade of goods, and accordingly this company, among others, have given attention to piece ware made of better stock. We have in the work before us three distinct classes of ware of this character—namely, common piece ware, heavy plain piece ware and heavy polished piece ware. In the preface, being a general circular to the trade, the statement is made that several additions to the lines of manufacture of this company have been made since the last catalogue was issued, and that, in point of finish, quality and durability, the goods produced rank second to none. The most improved methods of manufacture, which it is stated this company employ, and the superior facilities which they possess, give the advantage of producing goods at low cost, and enable them to place their wares upon the market at the lowest figures. A view of the works of the company is given in the fore part of the book, and occupies a double page. Opposite each department of the catalogue the title is printed in the margin of the right-hand page, in such a way as to form an index, after the general manner in which ledger indexes are made. From the fact, however, that the leaves of the book have not been cut for the index, it would seem that this is less convenient to the customer than it would otherwise be, but there is nothing to hinder the leaves being cut as required. The book is attractive in its general appearance, being clean in its typographical features, and printed upon paper well adapted to the purpose.

Merchant & Co.,

of 525 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., and 90 Beekman street, New York City, have recently issued a new price list, which contains many features that make it of interest to the trade at large. It is a neat little pamphlet, 3½ x 6 inches, containing 64 pages exclusive of the cover. A comprehensive index is placed in the fore part of the book, so arranged as to be convenient for reference. Following this are lists of various metals and goods handled by this house, arranged with numerous tables that

are convenient for use in the tinshop in making estimates and in ordering goods. On the page devoted to sheet copper, for example, is a rule for ascertaining the weight of copper, and other rules relating to the circle, making the page more useful than it would be if this information were omitted. One conspicuous feature is illustrations of the different varieties of soldering irons kept in stock, from which an intelligent selection can be made in ordering by mail.

A table of the weights per square foot of galvanized sheet iron is given on page 28, following which is a table of weights of black iron. Corrugated iron is carefully tabulated, giving the spaces of corrugations from center to center, depth of corrugation and length of sheets, with general directions for putting on. Under the head of tin plates, on page 31, is a brief description of this line of manufactures, including an account of the various processes of coating tin plates at present in use. These are known as "hand-dipped" and "patent roll." Concerning the latter, which is now being very generally employed, the statement is made that the sheets are passed through rollers to equalize the coating on the surface, and also to reduce the coating for the purpose of cheapening the plate. The other process, "hand-dipping," without rolling, leaves a heavier coating, and plates manufactured in this way are at present called "old style," "redipped," &c. Tables of gauges and weights of tin plates and wire, tables of rivets, bolts, wrought-iron pipe, lap-welded tubes, together with lists of various specialties, such as corrugated conductor pipes, spiral riveted pipes, registers, &c., make a very useful handbook.

Street Railway Materials.

Messrs. William Wharton, Jr., & Co., Limited, railway contractors, engineers and founders, of Philadelphia, Pa., have just sent us their catalogue relating to street-railway materials. Even a slight inspection will impress the reader with its many attractive features. It is 11 x 9 inches in size and contains 14 phototypes, which, besides enabling the reader to get a very clear idea of the general nature of the manufactures in question, adds considerably to the attractive character of the whole. Plate 1 represents a view of a portion of the works and shows a specimen of the firm's patent curved grooved steel rails. Plate 2 shows Johnson's patent automatic switch in position in the track and pavement in actual use, while the interior arrangement of the switch is shown in Plate 3. As our readers undoubtedly know, this particular switch embodies several points of value, among which we may mention that the driver of a car may, by turning the horses to the right or left, as the case may be, move the switch to the desired position without stopping his car or using any power but the weight of the horse stepping on the plate. The motion of the plates is comparatively small, and the entire apparatus, being flush with the pavement, offers but little obstruction to passing vehicles. Plates 4 and 5 give very neat illustrations of railway turn-tables, which are made of various diameters. Among other appliances may be mentioned transfer tables, which in some instances are preferred to curves or cross-over tracks in depots and car houses. The tables are simple, and repairs are claimed to be very rarely required. Steel-pointed and plated switches and frogs, portable rail-bending machines, continuous crossings, trucks and small turn-tables and wrought-iron frame cars, all receive a due amount of attention, the various engravings submitted in connection therewith being of a character no less attractive than those previously referred to. Plate 8 illustrates the present method of building street railways in Philadelphia and vicinity, a number of cross-ties and a certain length of rail being shown in position, while in the foreground are shown a variety of knees, joint plates and spikes. Plate 13 represents a piece of track work recently made by the firm for a street-railway company of this city. The illustration shows the work as laid out in the yard of the establishment previous to shipment, and is submitted in order to show how the manufacturers prepare this particular class of work. The plate also illustrates a patent crossing where one track is entirely unbroken and continuous, the rails being just the same as if no crossing existed at that place. In the concluding pages of the book Messrs. Wharton, Jr., & Co. submit some of the various sections of iron and steel rails which they are prepared to furnish; 21 different sections are submitted, together with the weight in pounds per yard of each particular section and the special number by which it is known. The manufacturers call particular attention to one of their leading specialties, namely, the preparation of plans for intricate work in front of and within depots and car houses. Altogether, the catalogue is of superior finish. It is provided with a neat cloth cover, and is well worthy of preservation.

Artificial Fuel.

We have just received an illustrated catalogue describing Mr. W. H. Cory's process of manufacturing artificial fuel from coal dust. The method pursued, which has already been extensively noticed in the technical press, is fully described in the pamphlet considered, and a plan is given of an establishment fitted up with the necessary machinery for the purpose in question, and capable of turning out 240 tons in 20 hours. Tables are appended giving the estimated cost of production of the fuel, and also showing the loss to the country for the census year 1880 through not utilizing slack coal. The concluding pages of the pamphlet contain extracts concerning the process, taken from various publications. The catalogue embraces 16 pages, and the interesting information given is undoubtedly worthy of perusal.

Pumps, Windmills, &c.

Powell & Douglass, of Waukegan, Ill., have just sent us copies of their annual for 1883 and also price list of pumps, windmills, &c. The annual is a very neat, well-arranged almanac, with information concerning the goods they manufacture. The portion of their catalogue devoted to windmill apparatus, pumps, &c., is peculiarly interesting.

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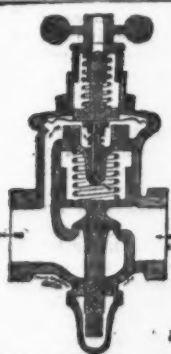
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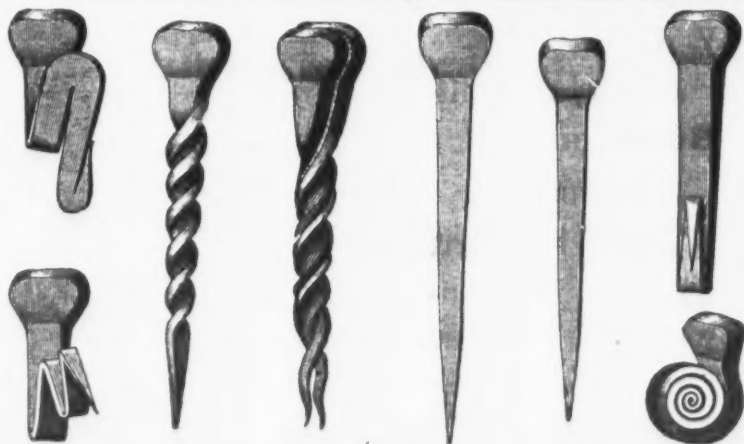
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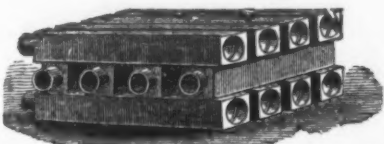
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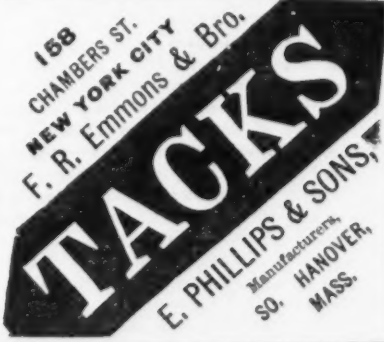
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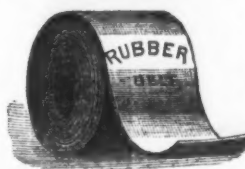
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The Situation and Outlook in Iron.

The present situation in the iron trade is a matter of surprise to very many who take their views of things more from their experience of two or three years than from the happenings of a series of years. They are surprised that, with the general prosperity of the country such as we indicated in an editorial in our last issue, there should be such an extraordinary condition of dullness and low prices in the iron trade; but if they would stop to consider some of the general principles which underlie trade, and would turn over in their minds the condition of affairs during the last 10 or 20 years, they would not be surprised. While it needs no argument to prove that the law of supply and demand regulates the prices of articles and determines the condition of the market, at the same time it is a truism that in its application to business it assumes varying forms. There is at times in connection with trade what is known as "speculative consumptive buying," or, in other words, consumers in certain conditions of the market buy ahead of their immediate wants. That condition is when prices are either fixed or advancing, and when there is a possibility that the consumer may not be able to get the article he wants—iron, for example—when he wants it. In such cases they will anticipate their wants, and buy to meet the future. On the other hand, when prices are weak and declining, and the capacity for supplying demand is such that there is no reasonable doubt but that buyers can get all the iron they want and when they want it, there will be no anticipation of future wants, and consumers will buy "from hand to mouth," as the saying is.

Now, apply this to the iron trade. In the condition of things two years ago, when prices were advancing, when the demand for manufactured articles from all over the country was pressing, and when the capacity of the mills was such that it was questionable whether all the buyers could get what they wanted when they wanted it, there was a strong pressure of orders for future delivery, which of course resulted in advancing prices. To-day, however, this condition of affairs does not exist. Buyers seem convinced that there can be no advance in the price of iron, that the only change must be downward, while at the same time they are also equally convinced that they will be able to buy all the iron they want at any time they want it. For these reasons they are only buying for their immediate demands, fully expecting that when they shall need iron during the coming year they will be readily able to procure it, and at least at the same rates as at present, if not lower.

Now, what is the outlook for the future? In the first place, Congress is about to adjourn, for which the business interest of the country cannot be too thankful. Thousands of merchants and manufacturers would not venture to act for the future until the tariff and the internal revenue taxes of the coming year were settled, and with Congress out of the way they will begin to prepare for the year's business on the basis existing, whatever it may be. This certainly must give a new impetus to business. In addition to this, floods in Europe and a partial failure to put in seed for the crop of 1883 seem likely to increase the demand for American products very largely. If the floods and frosts in the West prove to have injured the winter wheat, there will be a more active movement in the great staples. Farmers are able even now to get better prices because of these things, and with more liberal sales of holdings will come increased traffic to the railroads, increased purchasing power and necessity of purchasing on their part, as well as on the part of farmers throughout the country. In connection with all this, the country seems to be going through a period of gradual and wholesome readjustment of the relations of supply and demand, which will be followed by a more general activity in all lines of business. Speculation also does not seem to be as rampant as it was, and probably will not be, for the reason that people have not so much money to lose.

Of course, no one can tell really what the future is to be. There are too many "ifs" in the way; but if Congress does not do any mischief, and if manufacturing and buying get on a healthier plane, and if no trouble comes to the money market, which does not seem likely, and if the peace that has been patched up between the railroads continues, there may be a genuine and substantial improvement this year; but whether there is a marked improvement or not, we certainly can see no reason in the situation for any alarm, but rather everything to encourage the country.

We have no doubt that every thoroughbred free trader thinks he has a mission in life, and that it is his duty to make his views known at all times, but even a sense of duty should not be held to excuse conspicuous breaches of good taste. For example, when the American Institute of Mining Engineers met in Boston last week, Mr. Edward Atkinson was selected by the local committee to deliver the address of welcome. Instead of dwelling upon subjects connected with or related to the work of that society, Mr. Atkinson took advantage of the opportunity to make a very specious and trivial free-trade argument, stating with entire confidence propositions which have been distinctly disproved by the experience of the country, and which are simply the shibboleths of

the doctrinaire school of political economists, who are disciples of Adam Smith and cling to ideas which even England has found to be Utopian. If Mr. Atkinson's argument had been made under other conditions, there were a dozen men in the audience who would have enjoyed the easy task of refuting it with proofs showing conclusively that he did not know what he was talking about. But an alleged address of welcome is not usually considered open to discussion, and the audience was under the obligation of courtesy to take its unwelcome and wholly unexpected dose of medicine. Of Mr. Atkinson's argument we can only say that it was exceedingly short-sighted and shallow, and that his illustrations were of the kind which in discussion would have been turned against him with ruinous effect. He no doubt thought it an excellent hit to point to the idle works of the Revere Copper Company as showing how Boston is being ruined by protective duties; but one of the speakers at the dinner pointed out the enormous profits which Boston capital is earning in Colorado, Lake Superior and elsewhere, and gracefully concluded by saying that if we must drop a tear for Boston's ruined industries, let it not be over the Revere Copper Company. The fact of the matter is, Boston has had the lion's share of the benefits of protection in lines in which protection is less needed than in any others, and should protection ever be abandoned, Boston will have good reason to mourn over millions invested in undertakings rendered unprofitable by legislation hostile to domestic industry and to the development of the West. But however this may be, the meetings of the Institute of Mining Engineers are not the place for such discussion, and Mr. Atkinson is likely to derive from his effort no other satisfaction than that which the sense of having taken an unfair advantage of an audience may be supposed to give him.

The Tariff Muddle.

The changes in the situation at Washington regarding the tariff are so frequent that it is utterly impossible to forecast the result. One day all hope of passing the tariff seems to be abandoned; the next some scheme is suggested by which it is expected to secure action. One day the Kassar rule is proposed, and the next the Haskell rule, and then a paper is passed around the House for signatures of members agreeing to vote to send the bill to a conference committee. This has hardly started on its rounds when a number of Representatives declare their purpose to use all means in their power to defeat the bill on the ground of the Constitutional inability of the Senate to prepare such a bill, and so the kaleidoscope turns, no one knowing what figure the next movement will show. One thing, however, is very certain—that before this paper reaches many of our readers the question will have finally been settled, as Congress must expire by its own limitation on Saturday. At the present writing the situation seems to be in the control of Pennsylvania and Ohio, the largest iron-producing States. The Members of Congress and Senators from those States believe that an attempt has been made to sacrifice their industries to satisfy the popular clamor in certain States for a reduction of the tariff, while the industries in which those States are interested have hardly been touched. The Pennsylvania and Ohio members do not intend to furnish all the lamb for the sacrifice, but propose that other States shall provide their part of it. The great trouble with this Congress seems to have been want of leadership. In this respect it has been a most extraordinary body, and its temper has changed so often and on such slight provocation that it may be set down as the "unstable Congress." Its action on the Civil Service Reform bill was an indication of this. It is always a public misfortune when a legislative body is destitute of competent and trusted leaders. Like a rudderless ship tossed about by the tempest, it is at the mercy of every wave of passion or wind of selfish interest.

The Spelter Situation.

The fact that the value of spelter has gradually declined to a point as low as lead calls for an investigation of the causes that have brought about this extraordinary depreciation. Importation of spelter into this country in 1882 was at the rate of nearly a thousand tons of 2240 pounds per month, whereas the previous year it did not exceed, during the entire twelve-month, 1500 tons. The supply from abroad, therefore, last year reached altogether about 12,000 tons, domestic production added thereto 27,000 tons, and as 1882 had commenced with a stock of a couple of thousand tons, there were at the disposal of American consumption last year 41,000 tons of spelter. As at the same time the importation of sheet zinc had more than doubled, while the domestic export barely reached the figure of 1881, there resulted a stock at the centers of distribution of something like 7500 tons of spelter and sheet zinc on January 1, 1883. This heavy stock alone during the dull winter months would have been sufficient to keep down the price, but there were other causes. The dullness of the iron trade extended to galvanized barbed fence wire, an article which has grown into great importance, not only for domestic use, but for shipment to the great grazing countries of the world. Galvanized nails, hollow-ware, &c., also became dull, and the demand for spelter fell

off considerably in this direction, while the close of the building season and the lessened production of refrigerators and other house-furnishing articles requiring sheet zinc caused the sale of the latter, as well as of zinc white, to dwindle down to insignificant proportions. Aside from this, one of the leading spelter producers out West sold for a great part of the time at a fraction below the market, on the spot as well as to arrive. The reasons for doing so were, we presume, on the one hand the wish not to accumulate stock, and on the other to discourage, for a number of months to come, a resumption of importation. The same concern, at the comparatively low prices it sold at, was still more of a gain to its competitors, inasmuch as the sulphuric acid it simultaneously obtained more than made up for any shortcomings in the price of the metal. It is hardly to be supposed that in the face of a downright loss, and under the circumstances we have given in detail, importation will be seriously resumed for months to come, nor is there at present any prospect that the price in Europe will decline sufficiently to leave a margin to the importer at our current low rates for the metal.

As for the prospects of a full resumption of consumption on this side at no distant day, the outlook is not encouraging for the moment, but this may change with a revival of the spring demand. Not unlikely, the sheet zinc demand will be the first to manifest itself; there are, indeed, even now indications that this will be the case, for we perceive that Western producers are increasing their price. Next the barbed fence wire demand is likely to look up as we advance into the spring and summer months, not only for domestic purposes, but for export. The Argentine Republic and most of its neighbors are in a flourishing condition, not only agriculturally, but also as to cattle farming and sheep breeding, all stimulated by a steady flow of immigration from the Mediterranean, and, as peace prevails in those countries, our trade thither steadily expands. Then there is the building season. Although most people seem prepared to see a lull therein as a natural reaction, and as possibly a decline in real estate may intensify such lull, yet a fair amount of building may, we think, be counted upon. In a month or so we shall be able to form a better judgment of the prospect in this direction. Immigration may not reach the magnitude of 1882 and 1881, but we may still expect a very large influx. Much will, of course, depend on our next crop of cereals; meanwhile our farmers are getting a better price for the remains of the old crop than they could reasonably have expected three months since—all due to the mishaps that have befallen Europe.

Taking into account the circumstances we have noted, it will be seen that the condition of spelter is not altogether hopeless. It is more than likely that it has reached its lowest point, and will now take an upward turn. The tables below show the price of spelter and zinc in the London market since 1875:

| HIGHEST AND LOWEST PRICE FOR SILESIAN SPELTER. | 1875. | 1880. | 1885. | 1890. |
|--|------------|------------|------------|-------|
| 1875. 12/6 | 1880. 12/6 | 1885. 12/6 | 1890. 12/6 | |
| 1876. 10/0 | 1881. 5/0 | 1886. 10/0 | 1891. 17/6 | |
| 1877. 8/0 | 1882. 5/0 | 1887. 8/0 | 1892. 5/0 | |
| 1878. 10/0 | 1883. 10/0 | 1888. 10/0 | 1893. 10/0 | |

| HIGHEST AND LOWEST PRICE FOR SHEET ZINC. | 1875. | 1880. | 1885. | 1890. |
|--|------------|------------|------------|-------|
| 1875. 21/0 | 1880. 21/0 | 1885. 21/0 | 1890. 21/0 | |
| 1876. 10/0 | 1881. 7/6 | 1886. 18/0 | 1891. 17/6 | |
| 1877. 10/0 | 1882. 10/0 | 1887. 10/0 | 1892. 10/0 | |
| 1878. 10/0 | 1883. 10/0 | 1888. 10/0 | 1893. 10/0 | |

So far this year the price of spelter is lower than the lowest of 1882.

On both sides of the Atlantic the year commences with great weakness, but we think the elements for a sound recovery are not lacking on this side, as we have shown.

The Prosperity of Germany Under Protection.

One of the most striking features in the industrial development of Europe in the past ten years has been the rapid advances in connection with coal mining and metallurgy which have taken place in the German Empire. Shortly after the close of the Franco-German war, a period of most distressing depression came upon German industry and arrested the progress of coal mining and checked the development of metallurgy. Bismarck, with wonderful foresight, and in opposition to the views of those who had been his closest associates and of the party with which he was identified at the time, determined to adopt protection, and it has been under the fostering influence of the tariff laws carried through the Reichstag by Bismarck that this wonderful development to which we have referred has come about. Though, as yet, under this system the price of labor has not advanced materially, the labor in the iron works and coal works has been employed, and iron and coal have not to any great extent come into that country from abroad, which, if it had, would not only have deprived labor of employment, but reduced its rewards. No doubt there was present in Bismarck's mind when this policy was finally decided upon not alone the prosperity of German labor and capital, but also the condition, the surroundings, the environments of the Empire. With a jealous Russia on one hand and a revengeful France on the other, the possibility that trouble with either might involve trouble with other nations, thereby completely closing German ports to their products, had to be seriously considered. Indeed, we think his statesmanship would have been very short-sighted had he

not adopted that policy which would lead to the development of the mines and works of Germany, not only to the extent of supplying home consumption, but of laying the surrounding nations under tribute to German manufacturers.

Is it not strange that when other nations whose statesmanship is certainly as far-seeing as that of this country conceive it to be to their interest to develop and foster their iron and coal industries, the Senate of the United States should conceive it to be proper statesmanship to do all in their power to restrict the development of the iron and coal industries of this country? The improvement in these industries will, without question, be the mark of the improvement in material prosperity. They largely underlie the whole fabric of our industrial development, and whatever injures them, whatever serves to depress them, cannot fail to injure the whole structure of our industries. So far as the views of the Senate, as evidenced by their action on the tariff bill, are adopted in this country, so far will these industries be injured.

Rail Consumption in the United States.

The statistics of iron and steel rail production in the United States, which were published last week, showed that in 1882 there were 1,507,851 gross tons made, of which 203,458 tons were iron, and 1,304,393 tons were Bessemer and open-hearth steel. The official report of our iron and steel imports in 1882 has not yet been issued by the Bureau of Statistics, but we are in possession of sufficient information to estimate the importation of rails at 200,000 gross tons, of which 37,500 tons were iron and 162,500 tons were steel. By adding the imports to the production, we obtain 1,707,851 tons as the probable consumption of iron and steel rails in this country in 1882. The consumption of rails in 1881 was not far from 300,000 tons greater than that of 1882. The production of iron and steel rails amounted to 1,646,518 gross tons, and the imports were 344,930 tons, making the probable consumption 1,991,448 gross tons. The following table will show the variation in the details of the rail trade for the two years referred to, in gross tons:

| 1881. | 1882. |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Iron produced..... 435,733 | 203,458 |
| Iron imported..... 129,313 | 37,500 |
| Total iron..... 565,046 | 240,958 |
| Steel produced..... 1,310,285 | 1,304,393 |
| Steel imported..... 222,507 | 162,500 |
| Total steel..... 1,532,792 | 1,466,893 |
| Total consumption..... 1,991,448 | 1,707,851 |

It is a remarkable fact that the whole of the falling off here recorded is in the consumption of iron rails. In 1882 there were used 317,608 tons of iron rails less than in 1881, while of steel rails there were used 34,047 tons more than in 1881. Iron rails have long been doomed to complete displacement by steel, and we have seen steel rapidly gaining from year to year, but in no year has there been such a complete collapse in the use of iron rails as was witnessed in 1882. So utterly has the iron-rail trade been routed that iron rails are no longer openly quoted in our leading iron markets. Iron rails will still continue to be made in some localities of this great country, owing to various circumstances, but they will henceforth play but a small part in the tables of annual rail consumption.

The following table of the consumption of iron and steel rails in the United States for the past 11 years has been obtained in large part from the reports of the American Iron and Steel Association. It shows how the steel-rail trade has gradually overtaken and finally surpassed the iron-rail trade during this period. In this table the imports are added to the production in each case. The are of 2000 pounds:

| Years. | Iron. | Steel. | Total. |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1872..... | 1,286,994 | 243,866 | 1,530,860 |
| 1873..... | 860,263 | 268,580 | 1,128,843 |
| 1874..... | 502,265 | 244,459 | 746,724 |
| 1875..... | 507,823 | 300,137 | 807,960 |
| 1876..... | 479,455 | 412,461 | 891,916 |
| 1877..... | 335,540 | 412,254 | 747,794 |
| 1878..... | 322,820 | 550,835 | 873,655 |
| 1879..... | 439,250 | 718,170 | 1,157,420 |
| 1880..... | 626,281 | 1,120,305 | 1,746,586 |
| 1881..... | 675,594 | 1,504,818 | 2,180,412 |
| 1882..... | 203,458 | 1,304,393 | 1,507,851 |

An examination of this table will show that the consumption of iron rails steadily decreased from 1872 until 1878, when a temporary reaction set in, which was caused by the great demand for rails of all kinds during the railroad fever of the next three years, but not even in 1880 did the consumption of iron rails attain half the proportions of the consumption of 1872. The reaction spent its strength in 1881, and in 1882 the consumption of iron rails fell off largely, reaching in that year the lowest figures in the 11 years under review. The consumption of steel rails, on the contrary, after a slight reverse in 1874, steadily increased from year to year, not even excepting 1877, when the railroad interests of the country were most seriously affected by financial difficulties, short crops, labor riots, &c. And although fewer rails were laid in 1882 than in 1881, the figures show that the consumption of steel rails actually increased in the

former year over the latter. At present the outlook is not favorable for a continuance in the increased consumption of steel rails, the demand now being considerably under that of last year.

The New South Staffordshire Sliding Scale.

Alderman Avery, the president of the Board of Arbitration of the South Staffordshire mills and forges, has just given his award regarding the matters submitted to him for settlement. The award contains much that is of interest to the manufacturers and workmen on this side of the Atlantic, as well as in England. The question was upon what basis a sliding scale, which it was agreed upon should be re-established, should be formed—that is, whether it should be the rule of shillings to pounds, with 6d. or a shilling additional, the minimum having been fixed at 7s. 3d. Alderman Avery awarded that the wages of puddlers to the 31st of December, 1882, should be 8s. per ton; from that time to the 31st of March, 1883, 8s. 3d. per ton. After providing for the manner in which the average selling price should be obtained—by the inspection of the books of certain agreed firms by agreed accountants every three months, the price so ascertained to be the price on which wages shall be based for the ensuing three months—the arbitrator awarded that the sliding scale for puddlers should be 9d. per ton in excess of 1s. for each pound sterling in selling price, and for a fractional part of a ton as follows in addition:

| | |
|------------------------------|-----|
| From over 28. 6d. to 29. 0d. | 3d. |
| " 29. 0d. to 29. 6d. | 3d. |
| " 29. 6d. to 30. 0d. | 3d. |
| " 30. 0d. to 30. 6d. | 3d. |
| " 30. 6d. to 31. 0d. | 3d. |
| " 31. 0d. to 31. 6d. | 3d. |
| " 31. 6d. to 32. 0d. | 3d. |

A sliding scale has been in operation at various times in South Staffordshire, but its working was not satisfactory to the men, and they refused to continue it. It is now resumed, however, and it is a remarkable fact, and one that should go far to disabuse the minds of the ironworkers of this country of the idea which some of them have, that under arbitration prices are reduced, that for many years the rule for the price of puddling in England was shillings to pounds, and this ratio was not increased until arbitration increased it. While it is true that prices of puddling have advanced largely and declined largely during the existence of arbitration boards in England, it is also true that the ratio of the price of puddling to the selling price of iron has increased under arbitration. We believe workmen will come to realize this in time, and as we have so often said, we have no fear but finally arbitration will be accepted as a means of settling labor disputes in this country.

Steam Tonnage in American Ports.

Competition in the ocean carrying trade is now little more than a contest between different lines of vessels propelled by steam. Sailing vessels only play an inferior part, and for various reasons the substitution of steam has inured chiefly to the benefit of the foreigner. The transition from sail to steam navigation is forcibly shown by the following table, in which the number of foreign arrivals at this port is given for a series of years:

| Years. | Steamers. | Ships. | Bark. | Brigs. | Schooners. | Total. |
|--------|-----------|--------|-------|--------|------------|--------|
| 1864 | 260 | 4 | 315 | 331 | 912 | 1,822 |
| 1865 | 347 | 351 | 299 | 451 | 2,408 | 3,796 |
| 1866 | 104 | 767 | 715 | 1,148 | 597 | 3,331 |
| 1867 | 268 | 713 | 874 | 1,200 | 885 | 4,000 |
| 1868 | 455 | 685 | 1,493 | 1,134 | 1,048 | 4,715 |
| 1869 | 1,744 | 890 | 2,234 | 3,076 | 2,471 | 6,244 |
| 1870 | 4,931 | 407 | 3,734 | 3,008 | 1,518 | 8,077 |
| 1871 | 10,455 | 407 | 1,857 | 895 | 1,371 | 14,935 |

Of the arrivals for 1882, no less than 1168 were British steamers, against 197 American. The latter were outnumbered even by the Germans. Statistics show that in the year just expired the entire American merchant marine comprised a tonnage of 4,057,734 tons, of which about 1,300,000 was engaged in the foreign trade, or only one-half the amount employed in that trade in 1861, when the merchant marine of the United States reached the maximum of its prosperity. Bearing these facts in mind, the fast increasing preponderance of foreign tonnage in American ports is strikingly illustrated in the following comparative table:

| Years. | British. | German. | American. | Total of all foreign nations. |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| 1865 | 935,886 | 166,837 | 3,104,275 | 4,206,998 |
| 1866 | 1,362,874 | 210,828 | 3,301,903 | 5,000,485 |
| 1867 | 3,413,318 | 420,776 | 1,801,453 | 5,635,547 |
| 1868 | 3,780,009 | 754,604 | 2,584,649 | 7,119,262 |
| 1869 | 4,491,091 | 866,730 | 2,057,791 | 7,415,612 |
| 1870 | 7,903,099 | 1,089,749 | 3,128,374 | 12,121,222 |
| 1871 | 9,500,000 | 1,250,000 | 3,250,000 | 14,000,000 |

* Estimated.

In the face of such a showing, no wonder that Congress, in its last hours, feels constrained to give the shipping bill a share of attention.

The circulars of the Boston Manufacturers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company are about as instructive reading as one comes across. In their way, they are eminently models of how to condense facts and statistics and give the substance of the matter in the most compact form. Here is a little statement that may be of interest to others besides the

dry-goods men, whose property is most immediately involved. In about 100 acres of buildings in New York City in the dry-goods district the value is probably over \$500,000,000, or, say 2 per cent. of the entire capital of the United States. This pays an insurance of a million and a half a year. Speaking of a roof hydrant service for this district, one of the circulars says that it could be put in at the present time at a cost much within \$2000 per acre. Steam pumps would bring the cost up to \$7500, or \$750,000 for the 100 acres of buildings we have mentioned. This apparatus would effect a saving of at least one-tenth in the rate of insurance, and this would be equivalent to a dividend of 20 per cent. on the amount invested in the apparatus.

The Duty on Iron Ore.

February 26th, 1883.

To the Editor of The Iron Age.—DEAR SIR: Messrs. Cooper, Hewitt & Co. in your last issue dispute the statement that Mr. Hewitt "probably consumes five times as much crude metal as he produces in his blast furnaces in New Jersey." If they have any facts to controvert this position, it is about time to produce them, as Mr. Hewitt's course on the ore question has been one of dogmatic assumption, without sustaining facts. The estimate with regard to his consumption of crude metal was based upon a production of 40,000 tons of finished metal per year at the two Trenton mills, taken from his own statements and the records of the American Iron and Steel Association, and as it requires 1 1/2 tons of pig iron to make 1 ton of such products as are made at the Trenton works, the entire consumption of pig iron would be 60,000 tons. The capacity of his furnaces in New Jersey, if run full time, would be about 20,000 tons per year, but, as Mr. Hewitt's furnace practice is notoriously uncertain and irregular, the allowance was made for running one-half time, equal to 10,000 tons per year, or one-fifth the quantity necessary for the Trenton works. Your correspondent feels entirely safe in saying that Cooper, Hewitt & Co.'s books for the last three years will corroborate this statement. That they use scrap iron and imported wire rods instead of pig iron only aggravates the situation, as these articles displace a larger amount of pig iron, and, in proportion, diminish the demand for labor in the production of iron ore. The bandying of epithets is a poor method of discussion, but Mr. Hewitt seems to act on the principle of abusing his opponents where he has the worst of the argument. In order to give him an opportunity to clear up the ore and scrap question, there are stated herewith six distinct misstatements, untruths, or, in his own way of expression, falsehoods, made by him on various occasions.

No. 1. That his firm are the largest miners of iron ore in New Jersey. (See letter in *Engineering and Mining Journal*, January 7, 1882.)

No. 2. That every ton of foreign ore brought here enables a ton of our ore to be used which would otherwise find no market. (See letter as before.)

No. 3. That in New Jersey and Pennsylvania there is not a pound of ore that is not put on the cars for less money than the freight from Africa and Spain to New York. (See *Tariff Com. Report*, p. 1084, line 10, &c.)

No. 4. That the freight of foreign ore averages from fifteen to twenty shillings. (See *Tariff Com. Rep.*, p. 1086, line 8, &c.)

No. 5. That no foreign ore is sold here at less than six dollars per ton. (See letter to S. S. Cox.)

No. 6. That cheap scrap iron and pig iron are friends, and not enemies. (See letter to S. S. Cox.)

If Mr. Hewitt has stomach for discussion of these items, the ore producers would like to hear from him. His idea of tariff reform is similar to Artemus Ward's patriotism, when he proposed to prosecute the war even if he sacrificed all his wife's relations.

JERSEY ORE.

Bilbao Ore.

PHILADELPHIA, February 26, 1883.

To the Editor of The Iron Age.—SIR: Your editorial of February 22, on "The Production of Spanish Iron Ore," treats only of shipments from Bilbao, of little practical interest to Americans, and in some respects calculated to mislead those unfamiliar with the importation of foreign ores. The shipments from Bilbao are not now, nor are they very likely in the future to be, of more than statistical value to ore consumers or miners in this country, for the pertinent fact that not one-hundredth part of all the ore mined and shipped at Bilbao finds its way across the Atlantic, for the reasons stated below.

In your editorial you say: "Nature has most favorably endowed this country in every respect for the easy production and shipment of iron ores. The city of Bilbao is on the Bilbao (B) River, which is navigable for large vessels, and is only seven miles from the sea." In Hunter & Patten's "Port Charges of the World," Bilbao is described as "On the river Nervion, 10 miles from its mouth. The harbor of Bilbao lies between Puerto Galea on the east, and Puerto Lazuro on the west. The water in the harbor varies from 5 to 10 and 14 fathoms; there is a bar at the mouth of the river, with a depth at low water of 12 feet; at high water 15 feet may be depended on. The channel is continually changing, and heavy seas on the bar are of frequent occurrence. Vessels never, except in the finest weather, or to avoid running on to an impracticable bar and lee shore, anchor in the bay. Only steamers of light draft, and ships drawing not more than 9 feet can get up to Bilbao, and even then they lay aground at low water. The British Consul at Bilbao writes, in 1877, that the necessity cannot be too strongly impressed on not loading vessels beyond a draft which ordinary conditions of the bar permit, and, after long experience, this may be confidently stated should not exceed 12 to 12 1/2 feet." Further, you state, "All of the immense remainder, 3,692,434 tons, was shipped to foreign countries, such as Great Britain, France, Germany, Belgium and the United States," indirectly implying that the United States compares equally with the

other countries named, while the maximum amount imported into the United States from Bilbao during 1882 was about 2000 tons to Philadelphia, 2350 tons to Baltimore and 13,000 tons to New York.

As you say, shipments from Bilbao are almost entirely made by means of (English and Spanish) steamers, built exclusively for the trade, of shallow draft and great breadth, rendering them unfit to attempt a voyage across the Atlantic with a cargo of iron ore, but admirably adapted for the Bilbao trade with Great Britain and the Continent. From the frequent reference to the shipments of ore at Bilbao, both in Congress and in the papers, people are apt to get an impression that the enormous trade of this place is likely to overflow and ruin ore companies in the United States, whereas the shipments this way compared with those to other countries are as 1 to 100, and from the natural obstacles in the way there is little likelihood of the situation being changed.

Yours truly,
EDMUND D. SMITH.

Tariff Discussion.

To the Editor of The Iron Age.—SIR: The protracted discussion of the tariff by Congress has been carried on more with reference to political effect than from a regard to the real interests of the country, and has shown the natural ignorance of the average Congressman and his inability to learn. Indeed, so anxious were our statesmen to display their demagogism before the public that the Senate could not wait for the action of the House, but must try their skill in tinkering at the tariff, well knowing that it was a mere waste of words, being contrary to law and usage. A curious feature of the discussion is that the report of the Tariff Commission and evidence taken by them are seldom, if ever, referred to, probably because the testimony is beyond the comprehension of the ordinary Congressman. The weakness of the report of the Commission is due to the fact that it was not based upon the evidence taken, but admitted a mere concession to the clamor of a few Eastern newspapers and their own notions of temporary expediency. The evidence taken by the Commission, properly digested and applied, will be the true foundation for future legislation, as it was well taken, and gives such a compendium of the agricultural and industrial interests of the country as will not be accessible again before the next census. Hereafter the same information can and should be obtained in connection with the census.

The agitation of the tariff has clearly shown that, while many members nominally pretend to be devoted to "tariff for revenue," they are always ready enough to support protective duties on products in which they or their constituents may be interested. The present Congress seems to be divided as follows: Free trade and direct taxes, none; revenue tariff, 10 per cent.; protection on their own products only, 50 per cent.; general protection, 40 per cent.

The evident weakness is from those protectionists who demand extreme rates for themselves, but are unwilling to grant an adequate proportion of protection to those from whom they purchase their supplies. The action of such people casts the greatest discredit on the whole system. This class are most highly protected of all, and strange as it may seem, comprise the wealthiest manufacturers of the North and the majority of producers in the South who need protection. These Southern gentlemen, who declaim so constantly against the duties on products in the North, forget that they are protected more highly than those whom they attack. The average duty on rice is 100 per cent.; on raw tobacco, 250 per cent.—proposed to be raised to 500 per cent.—and grain whisky, 500 per cent. Whisky and tobacco are vicious luxuries and fit subjects for revenue only. They are not entitled to any protection, but should have the same rates of duty wherever produced, at home or abroad. The whole object should be to raise the greatest revenue possible on these articles as necessary evils. But let an attack be made on either of them and see how quick every statesman at Washington is aroused. These articles being familiar subjects with him, he can discuss them with all his intelligence and ability.

The proper method of dealing with the selfish class of protectionists would be by the *lex talionis*, or the application of a counter-irritant. Instead of the "You tickle me, I tickle you" way, it is time to try retaliation by refusing to grant protection to those unwilling to return the compliment. The great majority of Congressmen claim to be advocates of a duty sufficient to equalize the conditions of labor here and abroad, and it is probable that a judicious bill based on the proportion and price of labor involved could be passed in the next Congress. So far as the present is concerned, it is the duty of American manufacturers to see that the tariff laws as they are properly enforced. They are not entitled to new legislation until they have thoroughly tested the old. Any new law would be liable to just as much misconception and evasion under the same construction. If importers are to control the Treasury officials and make their own valuations, as has been proved so largely by the evidence before the Tariff Commission, no efficient protective law can be passed. In the case of ad valorem duties all valuations should be made at the port of entry, based upon market values in this country, and not on consular invoices. This has been advocated by some of the ablest of our custom officials. This matter of undervaluation is even carried into specific duties by allowance for depreciation of quality. The only way is to keep a sufficient watch over the custom officials to prevent cheating and to protect the honest importer as well as the manufacturer. The effect of erroneous Treasury decisions and fraudulent invoices is shown in the increase of imports of articles particularly affected:

| Total duties col- lected. | 1881. | 1882. | Increase. |
|--|--------------|------------|-------------|
| Silk collected | \$19,018,000 | 21,611,000 | 2,593,000 |
| Steel collected | 9,167,000 | 12,744,000 | 3,577,000 |
| Nearly one-third total increase | | | \$6,000,000 |
| The increase in steel is mostly on ad valorem items. | | | |

The present tariff laws, efficiently executed, with valuations at port of entry, would be far preferable to any of the proposed revisions by Tariff Commission, Ways and Means Committee or Senate bill, and, if the laws are not enforced, no legislation can be of any advantage.

A PROTECTIONIST ON PRINCIPLE.

Shipyards for Commander Goringe.

The reported lease of the ship-building yard of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Co., at Philadelphia, by Mr. Goringe, late of U. S. N., as representative of New York capitalists, has been confirmed. He has secured considerable capital, and is now soliciting orders for shipbuilding. The yard is a very large one, fully provided with facilities, but it has never been used by the Reading. It was completed several years ago, and was to be used in connection with a line to Europe which the Reading was talking of building. The financial troubles of the company coming upon them, the scheme was abandoned and the yard was never utilized.

Mr. Wm. H. Vanderbilt is supposed to have an indirect interest in the new enterprise. An iron sailing ship for the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. will be commenced immediately. Mr. Goringe is confident of doing a profitable business. In an interview a few days ago he said: "I am personally in favor of the admission of foreign-built ships to registry upon the payment of duty equivalent to that on the material used in their construction. Any Congress which passed a free-shipping act and did not make this one of its provisions would be going directly against the interests of American labor, and I do not believe that any Congress would dare to pass such a law. It is a well-known fact that our mechanics do more work and produce more in a given time than the English mechanics do, and, besides this, we are famous the world over for our labor-saving machinery. Under these circumstances I can see no difficulty in our building ships, even under the present laws in regard to the tariff, at such reasonable prices as will encourage their purchase. We do not propose to run ships of our own. All that we are going to do is to build ships for those who want them, and I know from my own experience that the demand for coasting vessels is very great and steadily increasing. I propose now to devote my entire life to shipbuilding. I have been a patient student of the art of building ships in all its branches for the last 20 years, and I am just about to realize my dreams. We shall always recommend iron vessels to our customers in preference to wooden ones, but we shall have all facilities for building the most improved form of wooden ships. It is very evident that iron steamers must replace the wooden sailing tonnage of the United States, on the score of economy and profit."

British Iron Trade Association.

The following return has just been issued by Mr. Jeans, secretary of the association: Statistics of the Production of Pig Iron for the Year ending December 31, 1882.

| | June 30. | Dec. 31. | Total. |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Tons. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. |
| Cleveland | 1,312,441 | 1,116,107 | 2,428,548 |
| Scotland | 358,604 | 350,427 | 709,031 |
| West Cumberland | 472,038 | 522,143 | 994,181 |
| South Wales | 476,516 | 406,769 | 883,285 |
| North Wales | 25,072 | 33,047 | 58,119 |
| South Staffordshire | 193,442 | 208,001 | 401,443 |
| North Staffordshire | 137,386 | 159,711 | 297,097 |
| Lincolnshire | 102,801 | 98,703 | 201,504 |
| Lancashire | 392,663 | 390,072 | 782,735 |
| Northamptonshire | 90,475 | 101,640 | 192,115 |
| West and South York- shire | 151,096 | 128,157 | 279,253 |
| Derbyshire and Notts | 228,653 | 217,032 | 445,685 |
| Shropshire | 30,275 | 41,200 | 71,475 |
| Gloucestershire, Wilt- shire, &c. | 25,000 | 23,000 | 48,000 |
| Totals | 4,247,245 | 4,252,042 | 8,499,287 |

* Estimated.
Net increase on 1881, 117,032 tons.

Stocks of Pig Iron held by Makers and in Warehouse Stores in the United Kingdom on December 31, 1882, with Increase or Decrease as Compared with December 31, 1881.

| | Dec. 31, 1881. | Dec. 31, 1882. | Inc. or Decrease. |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Tons. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. |
| Cleveland | 266,170 | 378,170 | Dec. 111,000 |
| Scotland | 836,029 | 948,000 | Dec. 104,000 |
| West Cumberland | 101,355 | 68,001 | Inc. 33,354 |
| South Wales | 398,590 | 343,238 | Inc. 55,352 |
| North Wales | 3,740 | 10,740 | Dec. 7,000 |
| South Staffordshire | 18,802 | 46,500 | Dec. 27,698 |
| North Staffordshire | 47,523 | 28,707 | Inc. 18,816 |
| Lincolnshire | 8,200 | 23,844 | Dec. 15,644 |
| Lancashire | 60,218 | 57,810 | Inc. 2,408 |
| Northamptonshire | 18,720 | 14,015 | Inc. 4,705 |
| W. and S. Yorkshire | 54,180 | 49,070 | Inc. 5,110 |
| Derbyshire and Notts | 37,757 | 26,086 | Inc. 11,671 |
| Shropshire | 21,500 | 34,005 | Dec. 12,505 |
| Gloucestershire and Wiltshire | 4,200 | 4,500 | Dec. 300 |
| Totals | 1,576,894 | 1,716,264 | Inc. 139,370 |

Net decrease, 139,370 tons.

The stocks of pig iron on December 31, 1882, amounted to 1,716,264 tons, or 1,716,264 tons more than on December 31, 1881.

The production of pig iron in 1882 was 8,499,287 tons.

Total consumption of pig iron in 1882 was 8,623,615 tons.

Deduct stocks on December 31, 1882, 1,716,264 tons.

As against a consumption in 1881 of 8,499,287 tons.

Being an increase of 124,328 tons.

Note.—The stocks on December 31, 1882, are equal to 18.2 per cent., or 9.4 weeks of the consumption of that year, as against 21 per cent., or 11 weeks of the consumption of 1881, represented by the stocks on December 31 of that year.

An experiment has recently been tried by William Jessup & Sons, of Sheffield, which promises to be exceedingly interesting. They have made a solid cast-steel rudder for an ocean steamship and submitted it to some tests which were extraordinarily severe. The casting was 5 feet 3 inches wide by about 27 feet long. The rudder is 1/2 inch thick on the outer or rear edge, 2 1/2 inches thick just outside of the pintle, and 4 1/2 inches thick at the pintle themselves. The area of the rudder was about 57 square feet, and it was tested in a most severe manner under the direction of the underwriters' surveyor. The reports which have come to hand say that the test was most satisfactorily sustained, and we judge that they initiated in a very perfect manner the effect of a heavy sea striking against the rudder.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF MINING ENGINEERS.

BOSTON MEETING.

The annual meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers was held last week in the city of Boston, the opening session taking place on February 20th, in the large dining hall of the Hotel Brunswick. The meeting was well attended, and the arrivals of the following day added many more members and their ladies to those already present. The meeting extended over the 20th, 21st, 22d and 23d of February, and the following programme, laid out by the Local Committee of Arrangements, of which Gen. F. A. Walker was president, and Prof. R. H. Richards, of the Institute of Technology, secretary, was closely adhered to.

PROGRAMME OF THE BOSTON MEETING OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF MINING ENGINEERS.

Tuesday, February 20.

8 p. m.—Opening meeting and address of welcome to the Institute by Mr. Edward Atkinson. Address in behalf of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers, by Mr. Thomas Doane. Reading and discussion of papers.

Wednesday, February 21.

9 a. m.—Session in Room 4, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
1 p. m.—Excursion by omnibus, starting from Hotel Brunswick, to visit the Leavitt sewage pumping engine, the Carson sewer excavating apparatus and the Norway Iron Works.

7:30 p. m.—Session in Room 3, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Thursday, February 22.

8:30 a. m.—Excursion to visit the testing machine at Watertown Arsenal.
11:20 a. m.—Leave Watertown for Cambridge.

12 m.—Visit the buildings of Harvard University in the following order: Harvard Hall, the Harvard College Library, Hemenway Gymnasium, Physical Laboratory in Lawrence Scientific School, Museum of Comparative Zoology.

2 p. m.—Lunch in Memorial Hall.

3 p. m.—Visit Boylston Hall, the Chemical Laboratory and Mineral Collection.

3:30 p. m.—Session in the Chemical Lecture-room, No. 9 Boylston Hall.

5 p. m.—Leave by omnibus for Hotel Brunswick.

8 p. m.—Subscription dinner.

Friday, February 23.

9 a. m.—Session in Room 4, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

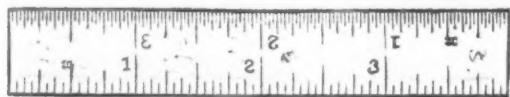
11 a. m.—Leave Lowell railroad station on excursion for Lowell. Lunch on arrival. Visit to water-power and mills. Trains return at 4:30, 5:25, 5:40, 6:20 p. m., arriving in Boston about one hour later.

The excursions were open to members of the Institute of Mining Engineers, of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers and of the local committee, and also to members of their families.

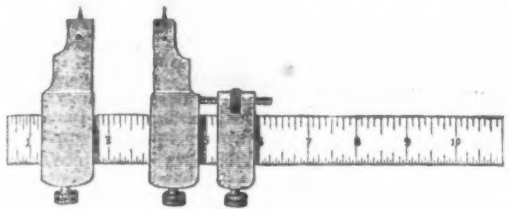
The proceedings opened with an address of welcome, delivered by Mr. Edward Atkinson, the President of the Boston Manufacturers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Boston, who is also identified with many Eastern manufacturing interests. Mr. Atkinson, after declaring all knowledge of mining, proceeded to give a very able demonstration of the close relations existing between agriculture, mining and metallurgical interests. He then reviewed the history of Massachusetts as a metal-producing State, referring to the manufacture of iron from bog ores at Saugus and Braintree as among the earliest efforts of Americans to utilize their mineral deposits. He called attention to the fact that the dies from which the pine-tree shillings were coined were of home manufacture, and reminded his hearers that the descendants of Rev. Revere, the coppersmith, had built up a copper industry in Boston Harbor, which remained eminent until ruined by the statute laws of protection. From this point on Mr. Atkinson gave the reins to his hobby-steed. He called attention to the natural resources of this country, its extensive and valuable coal and ore beds, and then argued, with more enthusiasm than logic, how, notwithstanding these great advantages, notwithstanding the skill of our engineers and the superiority of our mechanics, our protective laws placed us steadily at greater and greater disadvantages, and served only in reality to protect the machine shops and shipyards of Great Britain. He protested earnestly against the fallacy of the argument that paper labor was cheap labor, and contended that the opening of our ports to the nations of the world would not tend to a reduction of wages in this country, but, on the contrary, lead to the raising of wages abroad and the mental elevation of the foreign mechanic. How this result was to be brought about was not quite clearly explained by Mr. Atkinson, his premises and conclusions getting at this point slightly mixed. He next pointed out how, with the opening of new mineral resources in the West, the East found greater and greater difficulties in maintaining its industrial position, and so it was that "Massachusetts grows poorer and poorer every day"—all through the tariff laws. Never was there Jeremiah more prophetic of evil, and Marius sorrowing over the ruins of Carthage was a picture of jollity as compared with Mr. Atkinson when describing in vivid word-painting the approaching ruin of Boston, so that when in his peroration he extended a most cordial welcome to the members of the Institute, and tendered them "the freedom of our ancient city," there was just a slight disappointment at the lack of logic which had failed to add, "or, rather, what is left of it."

Mr. Atkinson was followed by Mr. Thos. Doane, president of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers, who welcomed the Institute on behalf of his society in a very humorous speech, full of happy conceits, dealing with the analogies and differences of the two branches of engineering. In conclusion, Mr. Doane added to Mr. Atkinson's tender of the freedom of the ruined city the tender of 91 gallons of water—"said to be pure."

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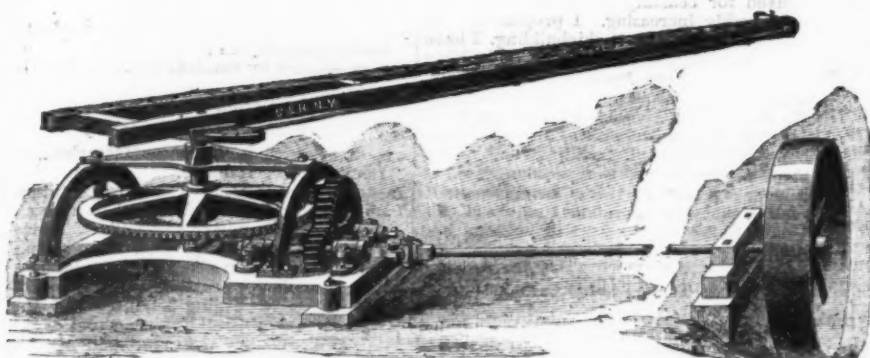
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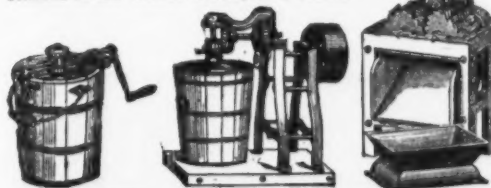
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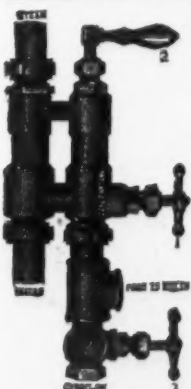
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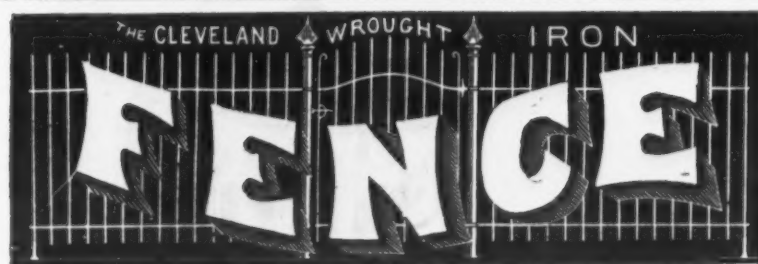
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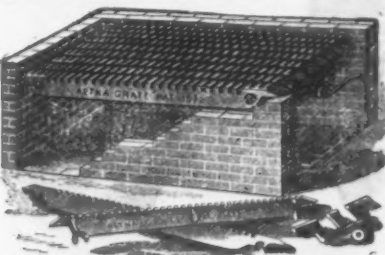
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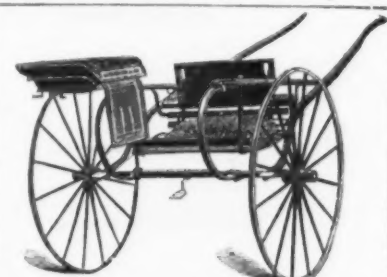
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to each member for every day of their stay, on behalf of the city, and on his own behalf presented to the Institute, to be preserved in its archives, the source of his humorous inspiration—"The Book of Riddles," "One Thousand Riddles and Their Solutions," &c.

President Rothwell, after acknowledging in a few well-chosen words Mr. Atkinson's sorrowful welcome and Mr. Doane's reckless liberality, formally opened the session by calling upon Mr. James C. Bayles for the first paper of the session, "The Microscopic Analysis of the Structure of Iron and Steel," which we give in full in another part of this issue.

The next paper of the session was read by Dr. T. Sterry Hunt, of Montreal, on "Coal and Iron of Alabama," which we trust to lay before our readers in an early issue. After pointing out in a short review the salient geological features of Alabama in general, and of the coal region of Central Alabama in particular, he referred to the intimate relations existing between the geological and economic interests of the region, and expressed his conviction of the certainty of a great future for the State, not only in coal mining, but also as an iron producer. Doctor Hunt referred also to the earlier work in the same field by President Rothwell, who, in his turn, in the discussion of the paper, called attention to the eminent services of Mr. Joseph Squire, of Helena, the pioneer of that section, in studying and developing its mineral deposits.

After the election of a large number of members and associates, the meeting adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. the following day, February 21, at the Institute of Technology.

Second Session.

The papers read at this session comprised one by Prof. R. H. Richards on the "Peculiarities of Block Tin Obtained by Smelting the Residue After Distilling the Amalgam." This was followed by Mr. H. W. Howe on "A Suggested Cure for Blast Furnace Chills," which excited a quite lively discussion, in which Messrs. Mattes, Constable, Rothwell and Raymond participated. The next paper read was by Prof. W. G. Blake, of New Haven, on the "Metallurgy of Nickel in the United States," who, in turn, was followed by Mr. A. S. Bower, of St. Neots, England, who, after being introduced by Mr. G. W. Maynard, of New York, read a paper on the "Bower-Barff Process," a full account of which will shortly appear in these columns.

In the afternoon carriages were taken and a visit of inspection was made to the pumping station of the new sewage system at Old Harbor Point. Here the powerful steam pumps of the Leavitt manufacture were set in motion and operated in the presence of the visitors in the pumping of sea water. The engines are compound vertical, having the steam cylinders placed above the two pumps, the connecting-rods of the engines being attached to a walking-beam, which is connected with the fly-wheel. The high-pressure cylinder is 25 1/2 inches in diameter and has a 9-foot stroke, while the diameter of the low-pressure engine is 52 inches. The steam is carried to the high-pressure cylinder by a 10-inch supply pipe, the engine being designed to work with an initial pressure of 100 pounds, cutting off at about 22 per cent. of the stroke. In passing from the high-pressure to the low-pressure engines, the steam flows by 660 3/4-inch brass tubes, through which live steam circulates. By this means, which Mr. Leavitt has also used in the famous "Superior" engine at the Calumet and Hecla mine, any moisture in the steam caused by the expansion in the high-pressure cylinder is removed and the steam is dried. It enters the low-pressure cylinder at a pressure ranging between 20 and 25 pounds, and is cut off at about one-half of the stroke. The automatic governor, which is of a design patented by Mr. Leavitt, is controlled by a governor which can be run at any speed. The fly-wheel is 36 feet in diameter and weighs 36 tons. Steam is supplied by four steel boilers rated at 250 horsepower each, built by Kendall & Roberts. Every steel plate used was tested, the specifications being an elastic limit of 37,000 pounds, and ultimate strength not more than 65,000 pounds nor less than 60,000 pounds, and an elongation of not more than 20 per cent. nor less than 10 per cent. The boilers are 80 inches in diameter, of 7-16-inch double riveted steel, the fire-box being made of 5-16-inch steel. They have 132 3-inch tubes 15 feet long. The feed-water is heated by the waste gases in a heater containing 1000 feet of 2-inch brass pipe, the average temperature of the feed being carried up to 180° F. The boilers, of which there are four, are covered with a mixture of one part plaster of Paris and two parts of sawdust held in place by straps. The pumps have 48-inch plungers and specially designed rubber valves with metal backing, having a high lift in order to allow the passage of large substances that are liable to get into the sewage. The bottom of the sewer is 14 feet below low water, and the maximum lift is 43 feet. It is not expected, however, that the average lift will exceed 37 feet. The nominal speed of the engines is 11 revolutions per minute, and at that speed delivers 25,000,000 gallons. At the time of the visit of the Institute, the one engine was running at 16 revolutions and was delivering at the rate of 36,000,000 gallons. The engine had not, since put up, run more than 24 hours all told, and was not at its best. They were built by the Quintard Iron Works of this city.

Next a visit was paid to the Norway Iron Works, where the use of vapor fuel in several of the furnaces attracted a great deal of attention. After experimenting for several years with this device, and after many changes in the details of the plant, the managers of the works believe that they have now succeeded in rendering it preferable to the usual system of heating with gaseous or solid fuel. The vapor used is that of petroleum, and the operation as follows, viz.: The petroleum is forced by a small pump into a cast-iron tank, which contains a receptacle to which a large surface has been given by alternate contraction and swelling of the section by deep corrugation. Upon the surface of this interior receptacle the petroleum drops in a small stream. Through the interior of the corrugated receptacle passes live steam,

which issues from an orifice in the bottom in a superheated condition, mixing with the vaporized oil. The entire cylindrical tank is heated by a special fireplace, and the mixture of superheated steam and vaporized petroleum is directly carried by pipes to the furnaces where it is used. It is stated that no trouble is experienced by the formation of the solid, firm coke which has wrecked so many kindred devices. Oil as a fuel has just been introduced in these works to run a scrap-heating furnace, in which the two-ton charges are put through in 25 or 30 minutes. This heating furnace has regenerators at both ends, and the work it does, so far as can be gathered from its short run, is pronounced satisfactory. Near this reheating is a double puddling furnace, also heated with oil, it having a capacity of from 12,000 to 15,000 pounds of pig, from four to five heats being got out of the furnace per ten-hour shift, or more than two single ordinary puddling furnaces nearby with a capacity of from 475 to 500 pounds of pig each. It should be stated that all of these furnaces are worked more for high quality than large production. A third furnace heated with oil is used for reheating open-hearth steel ingots. It is not provided with regenerators, the heat being utilized for making steam in a boiler overhead. For this purpose, too, the oil heating appears to give satisfaction.

The steel mill of the Norway Iron Works contains what is said to be one of the most successful open-hearth plants in the country, each of the three 10-ton furnaces averaging from 20 to 22 heats per week. Much attention appears to be paid to the careful pre-heating of the scrap used, a small heating furnace serving the line of three steel furnaces. Another feature of interest in connection with them is the casting arrangement. The steel is run into a ladle mounted on a swinging crane, and in order to do the casting as rapidly as possible, and yet as quietly as practicable, the ingots, placed in a small pot, are grouped in nests of four and six. On top of each of the nests is placed a tank, into which the steel is passed, and from which it flows simultaneously into all of the ingots through four and six orifices respectively in the bottom of the tanks. The bulk of the steel made appears to be used for boiler plate. The ingots are rolled down to slabs in 12 passes in a two-high train, the slabs going to the Bay State Iron Co. for further working. For various shapes the steel is rolled in a three-high train down to 6 inches square. The mill has, besides two trains for wire rods and small shapes, one train for carriage springs, one 10-inch train for shapes, a 13-inch train for spring steel of various shapes, three 18-inch trains for shapes and steel billets and a sheet mill.

One of the most interesting departments of these works is the one in charge of Mr. J. H. Billings, the inventor of the cold-drawing process. Here steel of various sizes and shapes is drawn cold through dies. At the time of the visit of the Institute a 2 1/2-inch round steel rod was being drawn and reduced 1-16th inch, coming out of the die far more perfect than lathe work would have rendered it. Besides rounds, there are also square and flat bars drawn, which are largely used by many New England machine builders. We shall refer to this process more fully in some future issue.

From the Norway Iron Works a visit was paid to the Carson process of sewer excavation, once so curious, but now so familiar to Boston people. The point visited was at Atlantic avenue, where one of the intercepting sewers of the new system is being laid. The process is that by which the earth is excavated to the proper depth slightly in advance of the workmen who are constructing the sewer, and, as excavated, is lifted in buckets above the street level, and thence is conveyed, by means of an overhead rail and running gear, so far back that the buckets may be swung and their contents emptied upon the completed arch of the sewer.

Third Session.

The third business session was held in Room 4 of the Institute of Technology. Papers were read as follows: "The Collection of Fine Dust at Ems," by Dr. T. Eggleston, of New York City; "The Shop Treatment of Structural Steels," by A. F. Hill, of New York City; "The Geological Relations of the Topography of the South Appalachian Plateau," by Prof. W. C. Kerr; "Lines of Weakness in Cylinders," by Prof. R. H. Richards, of Boston. The latter, by a series of experiments in the hall with heated glass cylinders, showed that the strain brought by an explosive pressure within any cylinder, of whatever material, tends to open rifts in line with the axis of the cylinder, and not transversely. This law of explosive force he held to be applicable in the prevention of steam-boiler explosions.

Professor Eggleston's paper on "The Collection of Fine Dust at Ems" was discussed by Mr. Rothwell, who had also lately been at Ems, and the two gentlemen seemed pleased at the opportunity offered to compare notes of travel.

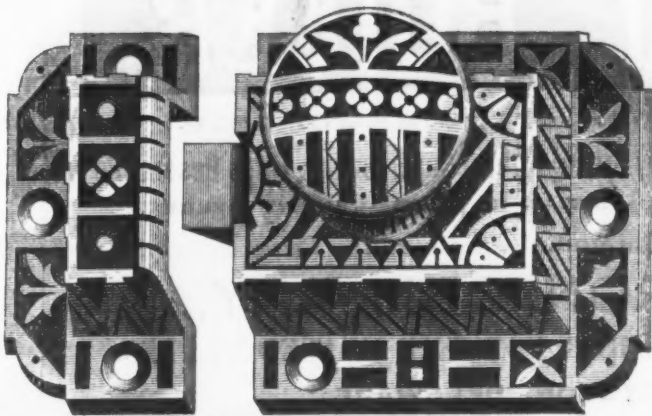
Mr. Hill's paper, which will be given in full in an early issue, on "The Shop Treatment of Structural Steels," was discussed by Robert W. Hunt, of Troy, who suggested further experiments with a step-punch—a slightly exaggerated section of which he outlined in chalk on the blackboard—in order to see if by this mode of punching the necessity for reaming might not be obviated. Mr. John Fritz, of Bethlehem, Pa., discussed the proportions of the punch as outlined by Mr. Hunt. Professor Eggleston differed with Mr. Hill on the bad annealing effects of the lead bath, and cited in support of his views the fact that many cutlery manufacturers employed this bath successfully for tempering.

Thursday was chiefly devoted to sight-seeing. Two parties took carriages at different hours of the forenoon and went to the National Arsenal at Watertown to examine and witness experiments with the celebrated testing machine. This apparatus is quite as much appreciated by persons living at remote distances as by those close at hand, and is duly understood and valued by mechanics, experts and scientific men residing in this vicinity. One of the visitors of yesterday remarked that one of the first questions asked by a French scientist, whom he met abroad, was whether he had seen the Watertown testing machine in operation. Neither the French nor any European

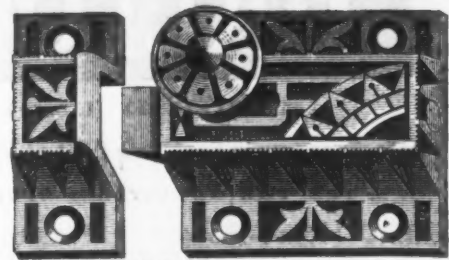
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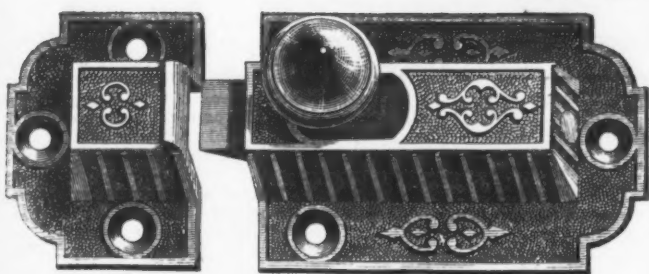
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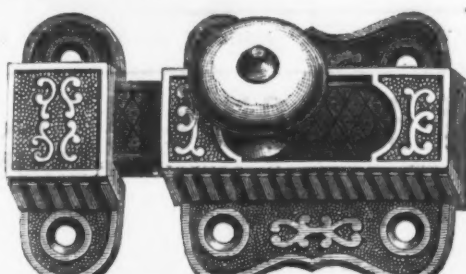
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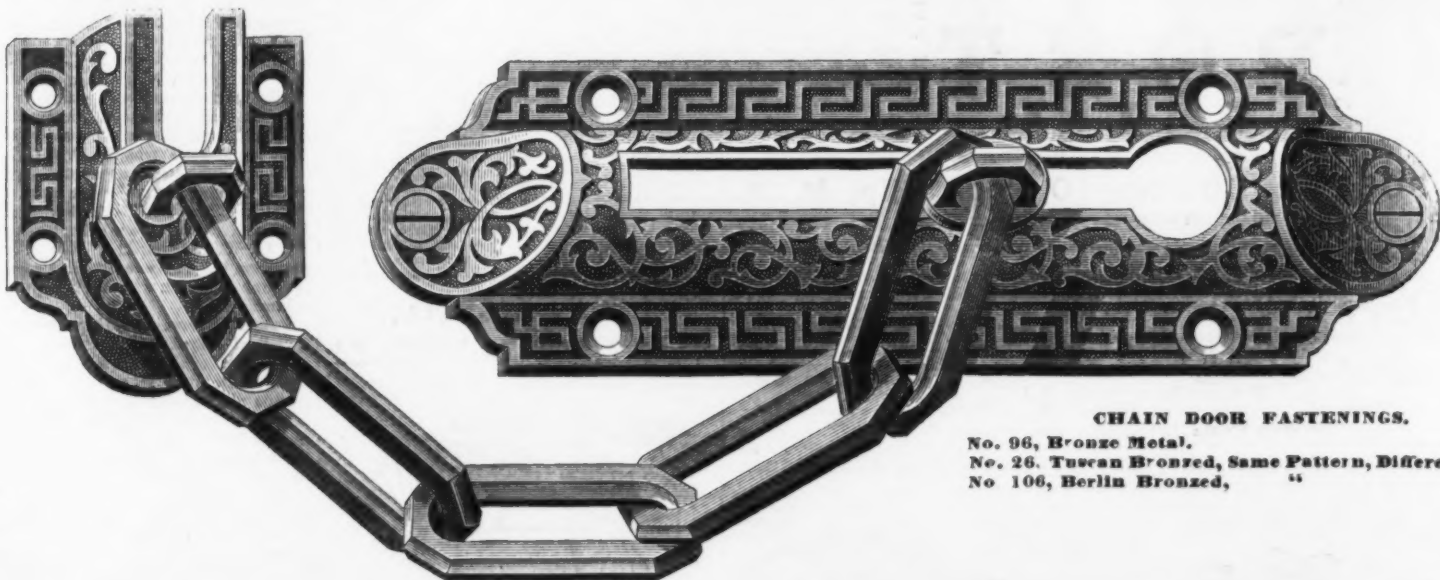
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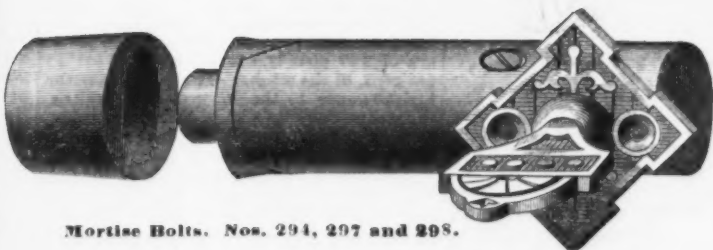


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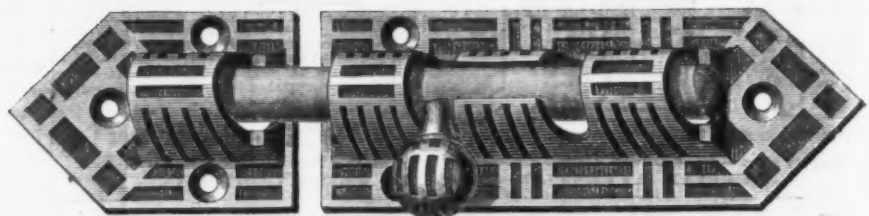


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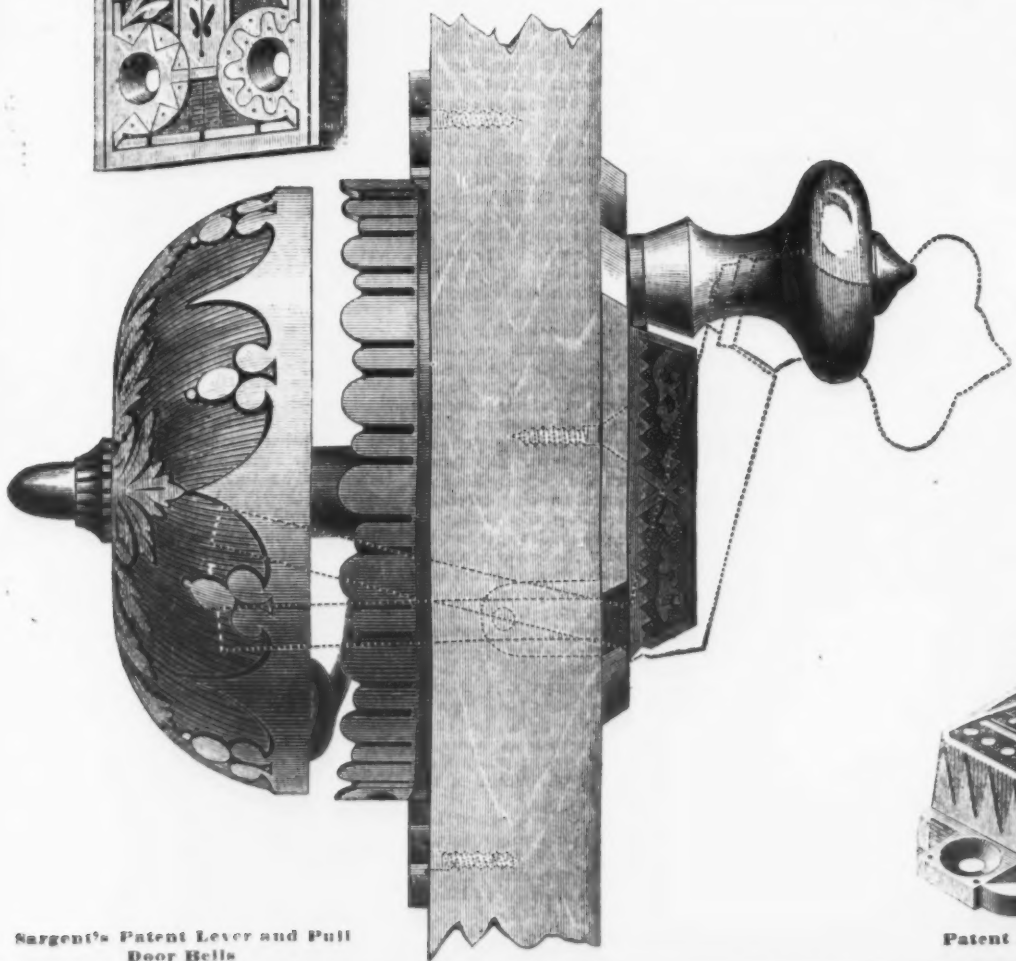
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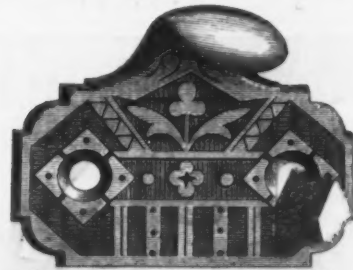
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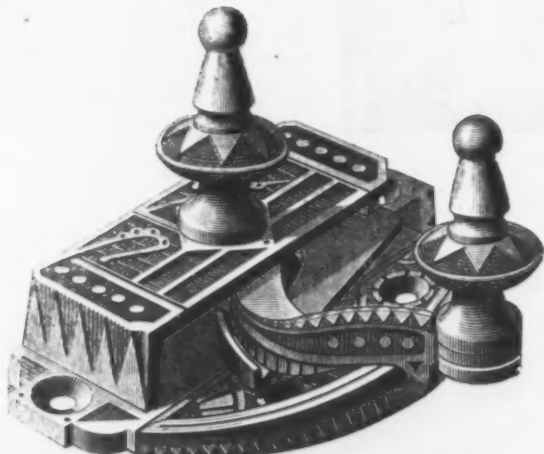
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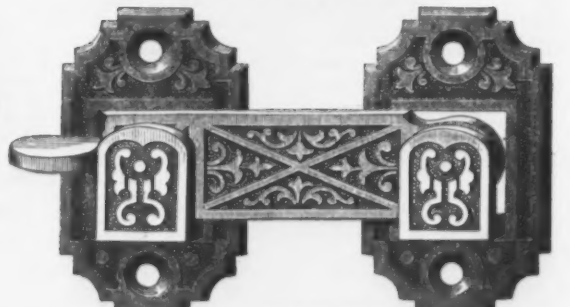
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Sash Lifts. Nos. 842 and 942.



Patent Burglar Proof Sash Fastener. No. 578.



Shutter Bars. Nos. 134, 135 and 137.

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nation has any testing machine of equal capacity and precision of measurement. The examination of the apparatus itself took a considerable share of the time, and but one experiment was made with it while the visitors remained, and that was a test of steel by tension. The piece of steel was a flat bar of the manufacture of the Norway Iron Works, of .12 carbon. It was in length, 80 inches; width, 5.85 inches; thickness, 1 inch. Under tension it stretched 18 inches, and broke when force of 208,300 pounds had been applied, which is 49,282 pounds to the square inch. In the afternoon several of the buildings of Harvard University were visited, including the Museum of Comparative Zoology, the Peabody Museum, the Gymnasium, and the Chemical Laboratory and Museum of Minerals in Boylston Hall. A lunch was served in Memorial Hall, after which the Institute held a session in the lecture room of Boylston Hall. The only paper submitted was that of Professor Sharples, of the Institute of Technology, on "The Strength of American Woods." He gave an account of a long series of experiments made to test the value of various woods for purposes of construction in respect to strength and for purposes of fuel. The tests were applied to 1300 different specimens, of 400 different species, all of native growth in the United States.

Before the close of the session Professor Cook, of Harvard University, showed in a beautiful manner the "critical point" observed in heated liquid carbonic acid at a blood temperature. The carbonic acid was seen to expand rapidly as heat was applied, the surface of the liquid gradually becoming indistinct and nebulous, and finally being impossible to trace. This was shown on an illuminated screen, the liquid being in a vial in front of the concentrated light.

In the evening at 8 o'clock the members of the Institute and guests, among whom were many ladies, partook of an elegant banquet at the Hotel Brunswick. A feature of the dinner and a certificate of excellence that cannot often be cited for dinners where a large company is gathered, was the fact that every guest sat till the last of the after-dinner speeches was made, or till somewhat past the midnight hour. For two hours and a half eloquence and wit flowed uninterruptedly. The chairman of the evening, Dr. R. W. Raymond, presided in quite the ideal way, and the guests soon came to watch quite as eagerly for what was to be said by way of interlude as what was forthcoming from each successive speaker. The speakers who immediately followed the opening by the president were Professor Jackson, of Harvard University; Professor Lanza, of the Institute of Technology; Major Charles W. Raymond, of the Corps of Engineers of the regular army, and Captain John G. Butler, of the Ordnance Corps, stationed at the Watertown Arsenal. Before presenting the next speaker, the chairman told the story of a Western restaurant, the sign-board of which announced that for a "square meal" the price was 50 cents, and for a "perfect gorge" \$1. The speeches already made by the local talent, he said, constituted a square meal. His prognostic of what was to follow was quite justified, and it was perhaps fortunate that the elegant gentleman from Virginia who had been expected, Major Jed Hotchkiss, did not arrive. The speakers were John H. Ricketson, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dr. Persifer Fraser, of Philadelphia; Dr. T. M. Drown, of Easton, Pa., and J. C. Bayles, of New York, and the chairman brought the festival to a close by reading some original and smoothly flowing verses complimentary to the ladies.

Fourth Session.

The final session of the Institute was held on the morning of the 23d of February, again at the Institute of Technology. The secretary's report showed the receipts for the year to be \$13,169.05 and the expenditures \$8240.53. During the year 215 members and 16 associate members were elected, the total membership now being 1213. The following officers were elected: President, Robert M. Hunt, of Troy; vice-presidents, two years, S. F. Emmons, of Denver; W. C. Kerr, of Washington; S. F. Wellman, of Cleveland; managers, three years, John Birkinbine, of Philadelphia; Stuart M. Buck, of Coalburg, W. Va.; E. S. Moffatt, of Scranton; treasurer, Theodore D. Rand, of Philadelphia; secretary, Thomas M. Drown, of Easton, Pa. A paper entitled "Eozoic and Lower Paleozoic in South Wales and their Comparison with their Appalachian Analogues," was read by Prof. Persifer Fraser, of Philadelphia, and Dr. Hunt spoke on the same subject. As the paper seemed to really have no other purpose than the settlement of a personal difference of opinions on the subject between these two gentlemen, who alone took part in its discussion, we shall abstain from laying before our readers either paper or discussion. Business of a routine character was then transacted and the meeting adjourned. After adjournment about 70 members availed themselves of an invitation by Mr. Frances to visit the manufacturing establishments of Lowell, the famous Lowell water-works and to partake of the charming hospitality of his home.

Taken all in all, the meeting was unanimously voted a complete success. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon the perfection of the arrangements made by the local committee, conspicuous among whom was Prof. R. H. Richards, of the Institute of Technology, who was both indefatigable and ubiquitous in his attentions to the members and their ladies, all of whom cannot but gratefully remember his untiring solicitude for their comfort.

During the year 1882 the number of passengers from foreign ports that arrived at the port of New York was 520,355, of whom 476,086 were aliens and 44,269 were citizens of the United States, or had previously visited this country. The number arriving in 1882 exceeded the immigration of 1881 by 70,717, and is the largest of any one year since the establishment of the commission. The nationalities of the alien passengers were as follows: Germany, 198,468; Sweden, 42,517; Ireland, 52,768; England, 40,849; Norway, 15,147; Switzerland, 12,068; Bohemia, 7179; Scotland, 13,557; Russia, 15,900; Hungary, 11,944; Denmark, 12,834; Netherlands, 7078; France, 4667; Wales, 4451; Austria, 2707. Of the above

number, 166,824 are credited to the State of New York, but as these figures include many who remain but a short time in the city and then proceed to other States, it is manifestly no criterion of the actual share of New York State in the immigration of the year. The immigration of Germans and Scandinavians has largely increased during 1882 over that of former years.

Microscopic Analysis of the Structures of Iron and Steel.*

That so little, comparatively, is known of the nature and phenomena of metals and alloys is not surprising, considering how slowly we learn to study them with thoroughness and accuracy. Nor is it surprising that we learn to study them slowly, when we remember that the most searching analysis and most thorough test stops far short of the complete truth, and that, push our investigations as far as we may, "the utmost still is hid."

An obstacle to the more careful and satisfactory study of metals has been the difficulty in harmonizing the results of chemical and physical tests. These give us the results of observations made from different and often widely separate points of view, and while it is true that these results give us bases for more or less accurate triangulations into the realm of speculation, it is doubtful if, with only the laboratory and the testing machine, our investigations would not move in parallel lines, leaving between them an unexplored field in which must probably be sought the information which

provided with a large circular opening in which rests a semi-spherical table, the level surface of which serves to hold the object examined. By simply turning this table, the object can easily be brought into any desired position, so as to give the best inclination for light and observation. One of the main points in connection with Mr. Martens' experiments is the preparation of the specimens. He has examined sections of a large number of different specimens, the surfaces having been ground and finely polished, and then treated with acids, so as to clearly develop the crystals and fibers in the metal. In preparing the samples the small apparatus used in grinding lenses for optical instruments is used, such important changes being made as were found necessary. The acid employed in developing the structure of the metal is greatly diluted, since it is found that the longer the time necessary in the process of developing, the more satisfactory the results obtained. For this reason the acid solutions employed by Mr. Martens are in the proportion of about one part of acid to one thousand parts of water. The preparation of the specimens is said to require no great degree of skill, and to be easily carried out in workshops where the few necessary appliances are readily available.

Mr. Martens experimented upon a series of specimens of different materials, including tool steel, spiegeleisen, gray pig iron, plate glass, &c. He obtained as results a series of enlarged views of the fractured surfaces of the bodies in question, which are very interesting. He found that the fractured surfaces of bars which broke under

induced to investigate the subject as bearing on the structure of meteoric iron, and the results which he obtained are certainly of great interest. Doctor Sorby prepared his specimens in a manner described in another portion of this paper, the development of the structure being attained by the use of weak acid. This development is due to the fact that some of the constituents of the specimens are not acted upon at all, and others in varying degrees. Doctor Sorby found that portions of slag or cinder remained in their original state, and were seen as black specks or patches of varying size and shape. Some constituents of iron and steel remain perfectly bright and brilliant, while others became coated, to a varying extent, with a brown film, so as to show the outlines of the individual crystals very perfectly. Other constituents, again, are so acted upon as to develop a very close grooved structure, which gave colors of varying brilliancy. Thus, by difference of color, or other characteristics, the outline of the individual crystals and their own intimate structure are shown to great perfection. Doctor Sorby further states that the thorough determination of the exact nature of all the constituents seen in the various specimens would involve many years of careful chemical and microscopical investigation, since, though many of them differ very greatly in microscopical and physical character, their size is so small that it would be difficult or impossible to separate them in such a manner as to determine their chemical constitution, and it would consequently be requisite to ascertain their true nature by careful induction

iron, the principal constituent was probably an intensely hard, white iron, with much carbon, associated with which were one or more of the other compounds of iron and carbon always present in gray iron. Various kinds of wrought iron were next considered. A hammered bloom was shown to consist of an irregular mixture of crystals of iron and portions of slag. When rolled out into a bar, those portions of slag not expelled were thrown out into long threads, and the crystals of iron seen in the bar were not the original crystals of the bloom, but fresh crystals formed in cooling. This conclusion was based upon the fact that they exhibited little or no tendency to elongation in the line of the length of the bar, as they probably would if the original crystals had been drawn out by the process of rolling. The fiber seen on fracturing such specimens of wrought iron was mainly due to the elongation which occurred during the fracture, and was not a characteristic of the iron. In this connection Dr. Sorby exhibited the specimen of armor plate to which I have referred, and all of those kinds of iron that are employed in the manufacture of steel by cementation.

The change of structure produced by this process is very striking, the most characteristic feature being the development of a network of flat crystals of an intensely hard compound of iron and carbon, scarcely acted upon at all by dilute acid, so that the rest of the steel may be dissolved away and the compound in question left in sufficient relief for prints to be taken as from a woodcut. The difference between the structure of the outside of the converted bars, where this hard compound of iron and carbon had been developed, and of the interior of the bar, was shown to be very great, and mainly due to recrystallization of the iron. Ingots of cast steel produced by melting blistered steel had a totally different structure, which depended in the first place on large crystals, and in the second place on the minute microscopical structure of these crystals. The principal difference between the structure of such an ingot and that of hammered bars was that the whole mass was made more uniform and the grain very much finer by hammering. This was still more the case when the hammered steel was hardened, in which case the constituent crystals were so small that it was very difficult to learn much about them by microscopical study. It will be seen by an inspection of the specimen of meteoric iron shown in one of the heliotype above mentioned that the iron differs considerably from most varieties of commercial iron, and though alloys of iron and nickel of the same composition as meteoric iron were melted and slowly cooled, nothing at all resembling the structure of meteoric iron was obtained. It was found, however, that the closest approach to this structure was in the case of iron that had been kept for a long time at a high temperature, but not actually melted, under which conditions some varieties of iron containing little carbon crystallized in large crystals having some of the principal characteristics of meteoric iron, while iron containing a certain amount of carbon crystallized in a manner imperfectly resembling the crystallization of meteoric iron. In this artificial preparation, however, there was crystallization of varying compounds of iron and nickel, and from these facts Doctor Sorby concludes that meteoric iron probably crystallized very slowly at a temperature below fusion.

From what precedes it will be seen that the results thus far obtained are more interesting than valuable, but the value of any interesting scientific fact depends simply upon how soon we shall have more facts to put with it. Those for whom this subject has interest will derive benefit from studying results reached and the methods followed by Mr. A. F. Hill, of the membership of this Institute, in his investigations of the cause of the fracture of the boom-strap of the steamer *Katerskill*, and in his discussion of the cause of breakage of the connecting-rod of the chain-cable testing machine at the Washington Navy Yard. These are investigations of the greatest interest and value, conducted with much care, and pointing to conclusions which could not have been reached by analysis or test. In fact, either or both of these methods in the cases named would probably have led to erroneous conclusions.

The conditions of success in the employment of the microscope in the examination of iron and steel are:

1. A careful and thorough preparatory training of the eye.
2. Proper preparation of the specimens.
3. Correct choice of instruments, and
4. An inexhaustible fund of patience.

There is no kind of scientific work to which Schelling's maxim, "In order to see aright, we must know what to look for," applies with greater force than to metallurgical microscopy. This soon becomes apparent to the beginner, and is frequently a source of almost complete discouragement. But before the use of a microscope (simple or combined) can serve any useful purpose, the naked eye must be thoroughly familiarized with the characteristic appearances of metals.

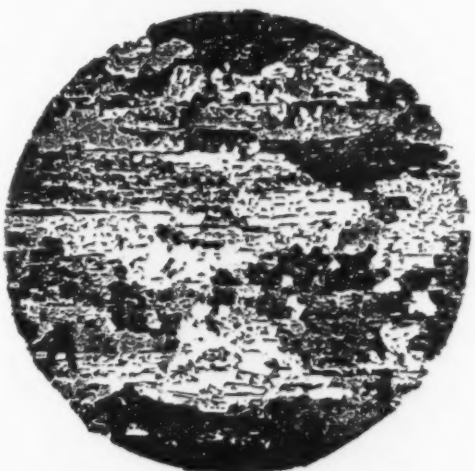
Any one without previous practice who tries to promptly decide from outward appearances whether a piece of metal is iron or steel, or even to distinguish positively between wrought iron and cast iron, is tolerably certain to meet with a series of sometimes rather mortifying failures, which will soon induce him to look far longer and more closely at a piece of metal than he ever did before. By much handling of metal, one soon gets at the difference in the feeling to the touch and the difference in the weight, and all those other physical attributes by which the other senses render assistance to the eye. Given, for instance, a couple of round rolled bars of equal diameter and equal length, the one of iron and the other of steel, and an experienced blacksmith will be able to pick out the steel from the iron almost without looking, simply by the difference in the feeling and in the weight—trifling though these differences are—just as a jeweler or cashier at a desk can decide in the dark whether a given piece of metal is gold or silver, by simply feeling of it. But such help to the eye is apt to embarrass rather than facilitate microscopic work, and it is



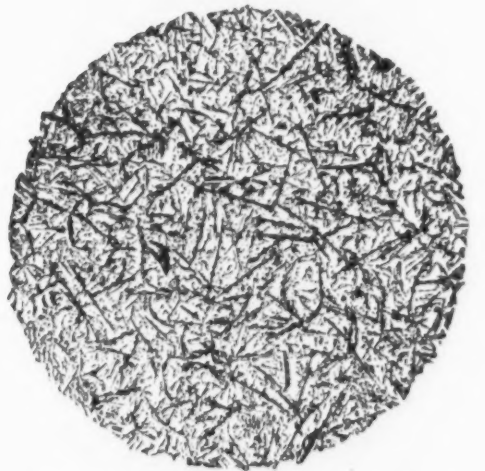
Meteoric Iron, Showing a Structure Unlike that of any Artificial Iron.



Cast Steel, Showing Uniform Structure with no Lines of Weakness.



Armor Plate, Showing Varying Crystals and Lines of Welding, etc.



Cast Iron, Showing Plates of Graphite which Make it Weak.

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shall connect the results of chemical and physical tests, and give to both a practical value which neither has yet been found to possess.

The use of the microscope in the study of metals is not a new thing, but it is only lately that it has begun to attract the attention it merits or to show results of tangible value to the metallurgist. Among recent valuable contributions to the literature of this subject, I have been especially interested in the work of Mr. A. Martens, of Berlin, recorded in a paper contributed to the *Verein zur Beförderung des Gewerbfleisses*. Some of the results of the investigations of this gentleman are sufficiently remarkable to merit consideration, as indicating the advantages of the microscopical study of the crystalline structure of metals.

Mr. Martens, although acknowledging that so far he has not been able to obtain results which he would consider conclusive, is still confident that microscopical analysis will find a place as a rival of chemical analysis in the investigation of the composition of metals, principally iron and steel. It is doubtful if this opinion will be sustained. Certain peculiarities and characteristics, due especially to the various mechanical operations the material undergoes during the process of manufacture, or to molecular changes due to the manner in which it is strained in performing its functions as part of a mechanical structure, can probably be best and most satisfactorily investigated by means of the microscope; but we can scarcely expect that microscopy will supplant chemistry in determining the composition of metals. The microscope employed by Mr. Martens is of peculiar construction, having two ball-and-socket joints, by which it can be placed in any required position, while the more delicate adjustments are effected by the usual rack and pinion arrangement. The table upon which the microscope is mounted is

repeated use exhibited distinct features. Clearly defined portions of ellipses could be observed on surfaces of tool steel and plate glass, while within each portion of an ellipse could be seen, under favorable conditions, streaks, the prolongations of which beyond the ellipses ran in directions normal to the bounding surfaces of the broken pieces. This observation could almost always be made in connection with metals exhibiting a fine granular fracture, and the finer the granules, the more distinct were the streaks mentioned. In tool steel these streaks could be seen with remarkable clearness. These remarks apply only within certain limits, and when these limits are passed, the material exhibits a fracture commonly observed in flint, glass and like substances. But even in fractures of such bodies, surfaces bounded by portions of ellipses and having distinct streaks running in a direction normal to the ellipses may be observed. These normal streaks were found to consist of prismatic elevations which passed through the area inclosed by the ellipse, and were arrested by the outline of the ellipse, which also projected from the common level of the surfaces, coinciding, however, with the latter at the ends.

From his various examinations Mr. Martens concludes that sudden cooling of molten masses of metal favors greater uniformity than slow cooling, this having, in his judgment, been shown very conclusively by a protracted study of different samples of pig iron. He thinks that conclusions as to the use to which pig iron and steel may be put may, in a great number of instances, be based upon examinations of this kind, and that the method will very often be found to be sufficiently trustworthy for all practical purposes.

Another valuable contribution to the literature of this subject was recently made by Dr. H. C. Sorby, of Sheffield, in a lecture on the "Microscopical Structure of Iron and Steel." Doctor Sorby, it appears, was first

from facts observed under special circumstances. So far as could be learned with the microscope, Doctor Sorby found various kinds of iron and steel to contain at least seven well-marked constituents. Starting with pure iron, he found what are probably three well-marked compounds of iron, with varying amounts of carbon or other substances met with in small quantities in different sorts of iron and steel, portions of included slag, well-marked crystals of graphite and small crystals that may be silicon. Doctor Sorby exhibited a number of illustrations of the structure of various kinds of iron and steel. Several of these illustrations were kindly furnished me by Doctor Sorby, being heliotype prints from photographs obtained directly from the specimens in question. The samples in question comprise armor plates, meteoric iron, cast iron and cast steel, and, as an inspection will show, exhibit a greatly varying structure. The specimens of cast steel is of very uniform structure, with no lines of weakness, while an inspection of the specimen of cast iron will reveal a number of plates of graphite that naturally tend to diminish the strength of the metal. The armor plate, on the other hand, shows varying crystals and lines of welding, while the sample of meteoric iron shows a structure altogether unlike that of any artificial iron.

Dr. Sorby's paper is of such interest that the following abstract taken from a report received some time since will undoubtedly meet with favor: Commencing with various kinds of cast iron, it was shown that their structure was sometimes greatly modified by the presence of crystalline plates of graphite, over which was deposited what was probably free iron, the interspaces being filled by what were considered to be two distinct compounds of iron and carbon. In other cases, the structure was mainly dependent on the crystallization of the iron itself, the graphite being thrown off toward the close of the process. In the case of white refined

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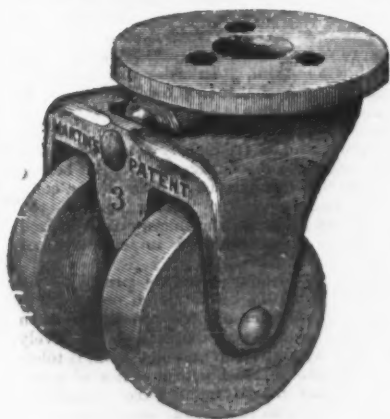
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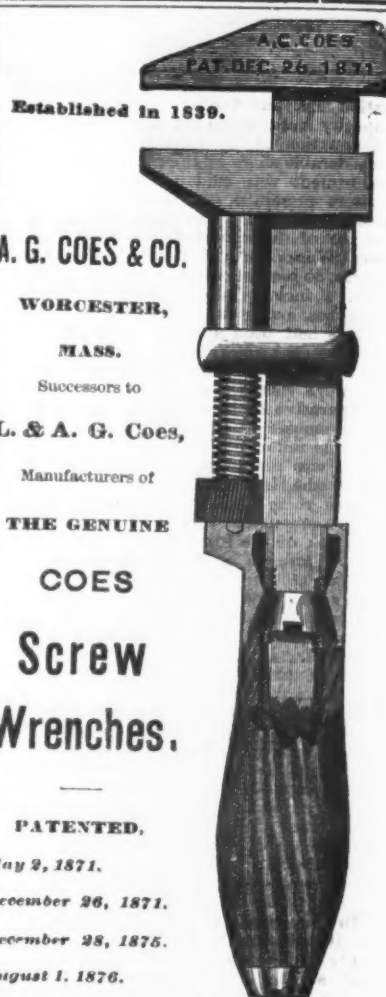
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best to learn early to rely upon the eye alone, without touching the metal.

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For fine developments the conditions of treatment are more tedious and more complicated. In the first place, the surface to be treated must be, as nearly as possible, a true plane. None but the very best planer work and subsequent grinding with either fine emery or under a metallic mirror grinder will answer for this. The surface thus obtained is then treated with highly diluted nitric acid—about 1 part of acid to 300 parts of water—in the following manner: At first, put the acid on with a camel's-hair brush, and as soon as oxidation begins, as shown by the formation of small bubbles on the surface, wipe the specimen dry. Repeat this until all the oil that may adhere to the polished surface has been removed, and the acid is free to act uniformly upon all parts of it. It is of importance that this be carefully observed, or else the acid will attack the metal in spots, and thus destroy the evenness of the surface, which, under a powerful lens, leads to deceptive results, which are rather annoying. A thorough development with such highly diluted acid requires from 24 hours to five or six days, according to the chemical composition of the iron or steel under investigation. The more highly diluted the acid, the longer the time required for the development—but, on the other hand, better results are obtained. After you have assured yourself that the acid does act upon the entire surface, the specimen may be treated by simply immersing it—polished face downward—to a depth of about 1-16th of an inch. To this end the acid is poured in a porcelain or agate-ware tray or "bath," in sufficient quantity to just stand above round glass rods, which are laid in the bottom of the tray, and serve as rests for the specimen, to prevent the surface to be treated from coming in contact with the bottom. The acid should be changed at least every 12 hours, and the specimen washed off with a soft jeweler's brush in clean cold water. After washing, examine the development under water, so as to prevent oxidation, and when it is complete, wash off all acid thoroughly until the water running off will not affect litmus paper, then wipe thoroughly dry, with cotton waste at first, and finally with a soft chamois skin. A drop or two of kerosene oil rubbed over the surface with the chamois skin will preserve it from oxidation for a long while. But should it take place before the examination of the specimen is finished, or before a

good photograph of it can be obtained, the whole surface must be treated all over again.

The foregoing applies only to large surfaces of, say, several square inches. If the development brings out crystal sections, or if it is desired to examine the crystals or the structure of a fracture under a powerful magnification, then the specimen must be prepared for the microscopic slide. This is done in the following manner: A very thin section of the part of the surface to be examined is obtained by planing down from the back to a thickness of 1-32d to 1-16th of an inch. The planed back is then fastened with cement to a glass slip, and the surface to be examined is filed flat, and afterward ground to a perfectly even surface on a fine whetstone, without any tearing or burnishing. Care must be taken to give this surface, in the final finish, so delicate a polish that it shall leave even the most minute particles of metal undisturbed and free from polished grooves or scratches. This carefully prepared surface is then treated with highly diluted nitric acid, and the action of the acid closely watched. After being in the acid for a short time it is taken out and examined under water as before explained. When the etching is thought to be sufficient for obtaining satisfactory results (and this is entirely a matter of practice), the specimen is thoroughly washed, quickly dried, and a thin glass square or circle mounted over it with Canada balsam. The specimen is now ready for microscopic examination.

As was said before, the simple microscope is the proper instrument for the beginner in this kind of work. It is a common mistake with novices to judge the excellence of a microscope by the amount of its magnifying power. The fact is that no object should be viewed with a power greater than is needed to clearly show its structure, and if this can be done with 20 diameters, it is folly to use a hundred. Moreover, the gradual increase of power applied in the study of internal structures has the advantage of giving the student an opportunity to familiarize himself with the results obtained with the lower powers, and thus to find readily those more minute developments which the application of the higher powers reveals.

After becoming familiar with the use of the simple microscope, and the developments suited to its powers, work may be begun with the compound instrument. It must be borne in mind that in low-priced instruments the actual and angular apertures of the objectives are small, the corrections not so exact as in those of higher grade, and that they are therefore liable to give false impressions of the object under examination; besides, it is impossible to view an opaque object by reflected light satisfactorily with any of the cheapest forms of compound microscopes, since the lenses approach the object too nearly, and are far too small to admit of a proper illumination of the object.

In making the selection of a microscope, the following points are important to bear in mind: First. It is essential that the lenses should give good definition—i. e., should show objects clearly and well defined. Second. The stand should be of good material and workmanship; there should be no "shake" or lateral motion in the adjustments for focus; there should be no "lost motion"—that is, the focus should be instantly changed by the slightest motion of the milled heads—and for metallurgical work, which deals with opaque objects only, there should be a universal joint for inclination, which will be found a great convenience in observation. For beginners, one of the best practical treatises on the subject is Dr. Phin's "Hints on the Selection and Use of the Microscope." For further details regarding the preparation of slides the student would do well to consult any of the numerous hand-books on the subject, one of the best of which is Thomas Davies' "The Preparation and Mounting of Microscopic Objects." One thing, however, should not be lost sight of, and that is, besides delicacy of touch and infinite patience, the most exquisite cleanliness is an indispensable condition of success. Dust and moisture are the microscopist's worst foes.

Concerning the results to be expected from the microscopic analysis of metals it would, at this stage, be judicious to speak with caution. I believe it opens a vast and as yet unexplored field, especially in connection with materials of construction such as iron and steel. The progress of the past 20 years in the methods of making and testing these metals has revealed the close relations existing between their chemical composition and physical properties. There remain, however, many gaps in our knowledge of these materials, largely the result of changes produced by mechanical treatment, and for the study of these we are necessarily dependent upon the microscope. This instrument seems to furnish the best means of investigating these peculiar and as yet mysterious structural changes, which are discovered, but not explained, by the testing machine. To these changes are probably ascribable the many surprising discrepancies which occur in the mechanical qualities of material of a given chemical composition, and it is but fair to assume that microscopic examination will greatly diminish the rather liberal use of the word "unaccountable" in these cases. Perhaps one of the first and simplest results to be expected will be the explosion of the theory of cold crystallization of iron under stress, strain, shock or vibration, to which so many hold with such tenacity, and which is assumed to account for fractures showing apparently crystalline structure. Development with acid and subsequent microscopical study, show that well-defined crystals are present in many forms of rolled and hammered iron, and in fact, that they are only destroyed when the rolling is carried to such an extent as to change the whole structure of the metal, as in plates, sheets and bars of small section. In many other ways, it is probable, the microscope will show that there is nothing so delusive as the crude experience which has been held to prove a great many things at variance not only with the probabilities, but with all the analogies of nature.

It may sound like a misapplication of terms to speak of the anatomy and physiology of iron and steel, and yet the most advanced metallurgists have long felt the want of the

kind of knowledge, or rather information, which could properly be classified under these terms. There are many limitations placed upon the work of the chemist, and the results obtained with the testing machine indicate far more, as Dr. Sorby points out, the lines and planes of weakness and the divisions between the constituent crystals than the actual structure of the metal and the co-relations of the crystals. In many cases the faces of fractures are apt to lead to erroneous conclusions as to the composition of the metal or the cause of its failure. But when, instead of the fractured surface, a polished longitudinal or cross-section comes under observation, with the internal structure of the material revealed by careful treatment with acids, the conditions of observation are entirely changed, and by the aid of the microscope we are, as it were, furnished with the missing link in the chain of evidence required for a correct conclusion as to the nature of the material under investigation.

The suggestions of this paper should be received with the understanding that as yet very little has been accomplished in the way of practical microscopic analysis. Much is to be learned in regard to the proper treatment with acids, and many difficulties in the construction of entirely suitable instruments for the purpose have yet to be overcome. Nevertheless, there is no longer any question as to the important place the microscope must hold henceforth in metallurgical inquiries, nor as to the magnificent field it has opened for investigations of an entirely novel character, the results of which cannot but prove of great value to the practical metal worker.

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(Special Dispatch to The Iron Age.)

WASHINGTON, Wednesday Evening, February 28, 1883.

The prospects for tariff legislation change with every hour. The Reed rule, which provided that the Senate bill could be taken from the Speaker's table for non-concurrence and reference to a conference committee, was passed Tuesday morning after a hard fight and an attempt on the part of the free trade and revenue reform element to defeat it by breaking a quorum. After some discussion as to the Constitutionality of the Senate's action, the Senate bill and the question as to its Constitutionality were sent to a conference committee. This action of the House showed that there was a fear that the Senate bill might be rushed through the House. The Senate agreed to a conference on Tuesday night, but Wednesday morning some Senators, having learned of the action of the House on Constitutionality, tried to secure reconsideration of the action, and only failed by three votes. However, a resolution declaring it to be the opinion of the Senate that the conference should be full and free, and instructing the Senate conferees if they found that any limitation was placed by the House on the action of its committee, to retire and report that fact to the Senate for its consideration, was adopted without a division. This showed a disposition on the part of the Senate to resent any attempt to raise the question of Constitutionality, and, as the House instructed its conferees to raise and consider this question, it is difficult to see how an agreement can be reached without the House waiving the question. In the House trouble was experienced in getting a committee. Randall was appointed and declined, as did Morrison and Tucker. The committee, as finally constituted, consists of Kelley, McKinley, Haskell, Carlisle and Spear on the part of the House, and Morrill, Sherman, Aldrich, Bayard and Beck on the part of the Senate. To-night the indications are either that there will be a bill fairly satisfactory to all interests, or no bill, with the probabilities in favor of no bill. There is intense feeling on the part of the anti-protectionists that they have been outwitted, and that a bill more favorable to the iron and steel interests than they desired will come out of the conference committee if they do not split on the question of Constitutionality, and, if so, they will do their best to defeat it. If the Senate bill is amended by the conference managers so as to increase the rates on iron, steel and wool, it will meet with persistent objection from the Democrats. On the other hand, if the iron and steel rates are not advanced, the Ohio and Pennsylvania members will probably oppose the bill. As the conference committee will probably readjust rates on the articles named, and as their report cannot be expected much, if any, before Saturday, the probabilities are against any bill. The only hope for a bill is the strong sentiment in the country in many directions in favor of doing something. This may force a bill, but if it does, as stated, it will be one fairly acceptable to all interests.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28, 1883.

THE SENATE BILL IN THE HOUSE.

The Senate bill, after its passage, was promptly engrossed and sent to the House for its consideration. An estimated amount of reduction in revenues effected by this bill is \$25,000,000 a year on an average importation.

CAUCUSES ON THE TARIFF.

During the past few days the Republican members of the House of Representatives have been holding caucuses, in hopes of arriving at some understanding on the tariff bill. The most important of these, at which there was a large attendance, failed to effect any very encouraging results. The main difficulty seems to be in uniting the entire Republican vote upon a measure wholly acceptable. There seem to be about 10 or

12 Republicans who do not like the Senate bill for various reasons, and while they do not say precisely upon what ground, still they are not regarded as wholly reliable. That the Senate bill is full of defects, no one can doubt, but if it could be referred to a conference committee there is a chance that it will be adjusted more favorably to the manufacturers. Mr. Haskell, of Kansas, in the caucus referred to some of the defects of the bill in its present shape, and suggested a committee of conference as the only way to remedy it. He also suggested the danger of allowing it to go to committee of the whole, where the free traders would be able to talk against time, and thus prevent action. He also answered by ample authorities the declaration that the passage of a revenue bill was a violation of the prerogatives of the House. The position was taken that, as it came up as an amendment to a House bill, the House disagreeing, it could be voted to a committee of conference. The Speaker, however, did not coincide fully with Mr. Haskell's position, and the supposition was that he would not regard the matter as a question of privilege. There was considerable speaking, but no results on any specific subject. It was asserted by those present that one disclosure made by those present was that the Pennsylvania, Ohio and New Jersey Republicans were opposed to the bill in its present form.

AMENDMENT OF THE RULES.

Finally an issue was forced by the presentation of a resolution directing the Committee on Rules to report an amendment to the rules authorizing a majority of the House to send the Senate bill to a conference committee without going to the committee of the whole, and also pledging the Republicans to non-concurrence in the Senate amendments when the bill should come up. On the latter proposition those present voted with great unanimity, but on the former this harmony of action was not manifested, being opposed by a syndicate of the larger manufacturing States. It was discovered now that the Speaker and chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means were hostile to the bill. This discovery caused a marked change in the aspect of things. The most earnest advocates of the Senate bill now threw up the sponge and yielded to a motion to adjourn.

THE SENATE BILL NOT ACCEPTABLE.

It was noticeable that the Senate bill in its present shape was objectionable to the men who represented constituencies most largely interested in manufactures. The natural conclusion, therefore, was that the manufacturers, notwithstanding the inconvenience the uncertainty of the question had occasioned, would rather have matters rest as they are than to take the chances of the Senate bill in the short time still at the disposal of Congress.

A FLANK MOVEMENT FEARED.

The Democrats have a programme by which they propose to drive the Republicans to an issue on the question, thinking they can make a point. Judging from the character of the parties interested, it looks very much like a free-trade movement, as Morrison, Carlisle and that class of economists have been working the matter up. The handful of Democrats who will vote with the Republicans on the basis of a moderate reduction have seemed to have no part in the movement. The fact that Beck, of the Senate, who is the most inveterate enemy of the iron interests, was in frequent consultation with these parties, gave credence to the belief that he was not there for any good. The extreme protectionists were evidently afraid of the movement, for they felt that a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing the Senate bill might receive a large Republican and Democratic vote, aggregating the necessary two-thirds. The anxiety of some of the Democratic members to get the subject acted upon is attributed to their fears of trusting it to a Democratic House on account of the effect it may have on the party politically. There are some who claim that there is a faction that would prefer to see an imperfect bill passed, so as to reopen the whole question at the next session. Since the question is in such a mixed condition, all sorts of speculations have been rife as to motives and prospects. Each party has been watching the other to see that they get no advantage. Their premises are as widely apart as can be imagined. If the question should come directly before the people they will have plenty of scope to operate upon. There is no doubt that this will be the issue, and that the tariff will be compelled to go through with the ordeal of a campaign before it can be finally disposed of.

AN ERROR IN THE BILL.

On Monday Mr. Vance called the attention of the Senate to a mistake that had been made in the tariff bill by adding after the words "square foot" the words "when manufactured from tempered steel wire, 45 cents per square foot." This, it was shown, was not adopted; therefore the Senate by resolution informed the House of the error in the engrossed copy of the amendments adopted by the Senate to the House Internal Revenue Reduction bill, and requested its return for the correction stated. The bill was returned to the Senate, the corrections made, and by resolution was sent back to the House.

PARLIAMENTARY MANEUVERS.

Later in the day the amendment to the rules to facilitate tariff consideration, which had been reported from the Committee on Rules, was called up as a privileged question. Mr. Carlisle raised the question of consideration. The rule was then reported. The Speaker put the question: "Will the House now proceed to consider the rule just read?" Upon this the yeas were 134; nays, 126. Mr. McLane, of Maryland, then inaugurated a filibustering scheme by moving to adjourn, which was defeated—yeas, 81; nays, 174. The House, after some parliamentary details, proceeded to discuss the report of the Committee on Rules. After recess, at the night session, the previous question was ordered—yeas, 121; nays, 105—and the House proceeded to debate under the half-hour rule. On agreeing to the resolution reported by the Committee on Rules, the yeas were 120 and nays 20. No quorum voting, a call of the House was ordered, which showed 237 members present. Several efforts were made to adjourn, which ultimately succeeded. On Tuesday morning Mr. Kelley moved to sus-

pend the rules, take from the Speaker's table the Internal Revenue bill, with Senate amendments, non-concurrence in the amendments, and appoint a conference committee of five members on the part of the House. Agreed to—yeas, 148; nays, 110.

STEEL BLOOM QUESTION REVIVED.

A new question involving the duty on steel blooms has just been submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury in the case of Richard F. Downing against Robertson, Collector of the Port of New York. In a late decision the blooms involved were rated at 30 per cent. The importers are now urging the Government to acquiesce in this decision. The manufacturers, on the other hand, insist upon the higher rate. This case was brought up before the United States Circuit Court to test the correctness of the imposition of 45 per cent. ad valorem duty on steel blooms, the plaintiff claiming that but 30 per cent. ad valorem should be charged. The jury rendered a verdict of \$4843 for the plaintiff. The Government, however, is not willing to permit this important question to rest here, and will take it to the Supreme Court for review and final decision. The request of the plaintiff is now to prevent the appeal to the Supreme Court by arguments to justify the payment of the award.

THE LABOR QUESTION.

Senator Blair, chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor, said to the correspondent of *The Iron Age* that the pressure of business was so great and the time of the session now so short that the committee was compelled to suspend further inquiry into the causes of strikes and the relations of labor and capital, under the bill of last session. The committee, however, have authorized him to submit a resolution asking authority from the Senate to continue the investigation at different points during the adjournment. These investigations have hitherto been confined to the committee room, and several delegations have presented their views. It is now proposed to visit the industrial centers and take testimony there from manufacturers and responsible parties representing labor.

INCORPORATION OF NATIONAL TRADE UNIONS.

Senator Blair, in order to give the investigations of the committee some systematic arrangement with the view to results, has submitted a bill, reference to which has already been made in this correspondence, to legalize the incorporation of national trade unions, which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor. No action will be taken on this bill now, but during the summer peregrinations of the committee it is proposed to determine whether the scheme would operate favorably to both the laboring and manufacturing classes as a means of settling questions involving labor.

THE TEXT OF THE BILL.

As the bill will be prominently associated with the inquiries of the committee, it may be important to know something more in detail as to what it proposes and how to put the same into execution.

The bill provides that the term "National Trade Union," in the meaning of the act, shall signify any association of working people having two or more branches in the States or Territories of the United States, for the purpose of aiding its members to become more skillful and efficient workers, the promotion of their general intelligence, the elevation of their character, the regulation of their wages and their hours and conditions of labor, the protection of their individual rights in the prosecution of their trade or trades, the raising of funds for the benefit of sick, disabled or unemployed members, or the families of deceased members, or for such other object or objects for which working people may lawfully combine, having in view their mutual protection or benefit.

That any national union, or sub-union under the jurisdiction of a national union, as described, is legalized in carrying out its lawful objects as aforesaid, and any person who shall prevent, or endeavor to prevent, any such organization from carrying out its lawful objects as aforesaid, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable in any court of competent jurisdiction by a fine not exceeding \$1000, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or both, at the pleasure of the court.

That a national trade union shall, upon application to any United States court, be provided with a charter as a national trade union, bearing also the technical name by which said national trade union is known or desires to be known to the trade. Such charter of incorporation shall entitle said national union and each or all of its branches to sue and be sued, to implead and be impleaded, to grant and receive, in its corporate or technical name, property, real, personal and mixed, and to use said property and the proceeds and income thereof for the objects of said corporation as in its charter defined.

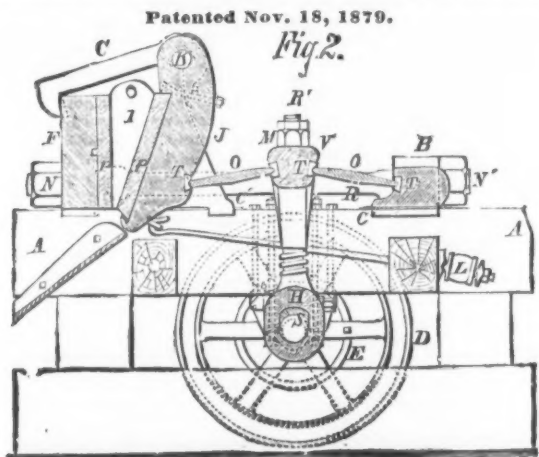
That an incorporated national trade union shall have power to make and establish such constitution, rules and by-laws as it may deem proper to carry out its lawful objects, and the same to alter, amend, add to or repeal at pleasure.

That an incorporated national trade union shall have power to define the duties and powers of all its officers, and prescribe their mode of election and term of office, to grant charters to sub-unions in any State or Territory of the United States, or in any other country; and all sub-unions organized under its jurisdiction shall have power to purchase, hold or dispose of such real or personal property as may be needed to carry on their business as provided in this act, and such incorporated national trade union and all sub-unions shall have power to require all officers holding places of trust to execute bonds, with approved sureties, for the safe keeping and paying over to their respective unions, whenever directed by them, of all moneys belonging to their respective unions in their keeping and under their control.

That the headquarters of an incorporated national trade union shall be located in such city in the United States as shall from time to time be determined by such national trade union.

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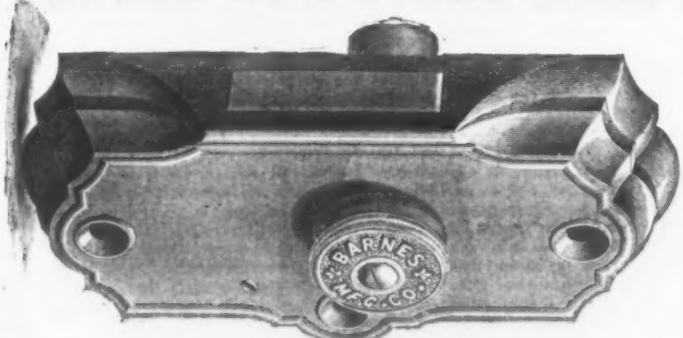


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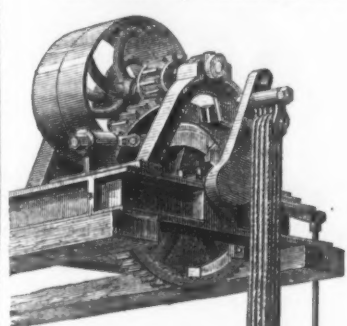
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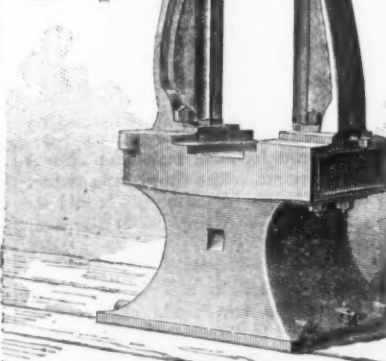


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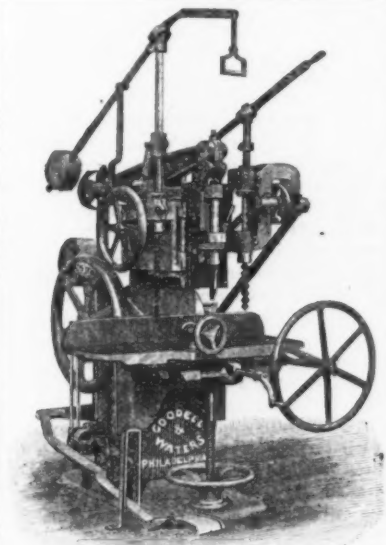
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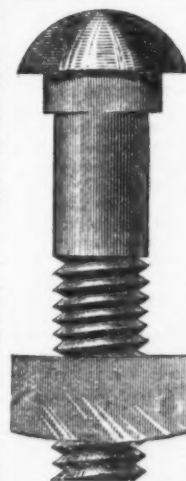
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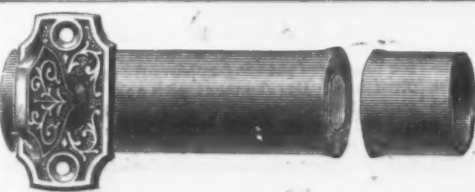
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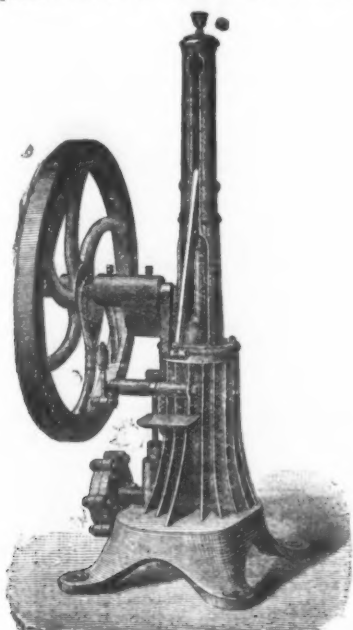


Fig. 1.—The Sombart Gas Engine.

tical type, and consists of a cylinder in which moves a piston, P, shown in the vertical section, Fig. 2, attached to a hollow piston-rod, L, in the manner indicated. The upper end of the piston-rod fits into a circular slide moving in the guide, which is placed on top of the cylinder (Fig. 1). A connecting-rod transmits motion from the piston-rod to the crank. The guide is cylindrical in shape,

D', and extends through about three-quarters of the circumference. Both the upper and lower portions of the valve are hollow, the former being made in this way so as to ac-

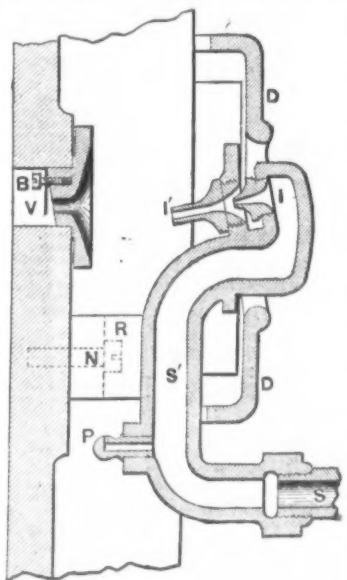


Fig. 4.—Longitudinal Section of Igniter, Showing the Orifice in the Cylinder Wall.

commodate the oscillations of the valve-stem, which, as shown, extends some distance into the valve, and oscillates around a pin, M. The lower portion of the valve is made hollow, so as to facilitate the exhaust of the waste gases, and for this purpose is, moreover, furnished with an opening, A, through which the products of combustion issue on the return stroke and pass off through the exhaust pipe E. Any desired length of pipe may be used for this purpose, so as to carry the waste gases to any distance.

The gas used in the engine is supplied through a valve and pipe to be hereafter described, and which is not seen in our sec-

tion. The pipe is threaded at the ends, and may thus be readily attached to or detached from the upper piece and the lower pipe S'. A wooden plug is inserted at the middle of the length of the pipe, and the latter is moreover provided with numerous perforations. The pipe itself runs through a rubber bag, and the gas, being prevented from passing directly through the pipe on account of the wooden plug, issues through the perforations above mentioned, passes into the bag, and then enters the apertures in the lower half of the pipe, whence it passes through the regulating valve. The rubber bag above referred to is of course distended, and by readily yielding to any sudden fluctuations of pressure tends to insure uniformity of the same.

So far as the regulating valve proper is concerned, it should be stated that the gas takes the course indicated by the arrows in Fig. 3, passing first from the pipe S' into the chamber A, and then through the channel H into the lower portion of the pipe S', which, it will readily be seen, is divided into two distinct portions by a partition. The valve C, which regulates the degree of opening of the lower orifice, is more clearly shown in the perspective view, Fig. 3. The upper orifice is narrow and high, while the lower one is of an elongated form, as shown, having, however, the same area as the other. When the valve C is in a vertical position the lower orifice is closed, and no gas is delivered to the engine. In order to effect the required regulation of the supply, the valve is mounted on a small arm of square section, which, moreover, carries two springs and an index, I (Figs. 7 and 8). The larger spiral spring tends to bring the index back to its original position, while the smaller spring tightly presses the valve C against its seat, thus avoiding leakage. The dial V is fastened by four bolts in the manner indicated, and is furnished with a slot, L. A screw, B, passes through this slot and through one end of the index I, and by moving it along in either one or the other direction and turning the milled head, the index may be clamped at any desired point. If the reader will refer to Fig. 8, there will perhaps be no difficulty in understanding the operation. The dial, as shown, is marked "open" and "shut," and any intermediate degree of opening may readily be effected

the nozzles I and I'; D is a door which closes the igniter chamber.

It is perhaps needless to dwell at any great length upon the operation of the engine, which is exceedingly simple. When the piston ascends, the air and gas enter through their respective supply pipes, on account of the suction produced, and become thoroughly mixed while passing through the cylinder port. When the bottom of the piston has passed the opening of the ignition valve the igniter inflames the explosive mixture in the lower portion of the cylinder, and the ascending stroke of the piston is completed by virtue of the expansion thus produced. When the piston descends, the burnt gases are blown out of the cylinder through the exhaust pipe in the manner already indicated in our preceding remarks. An interesting feature in connection with the engine, and one which deserves some attention, is the method by means of which overheating of the cylinder walls is pre-

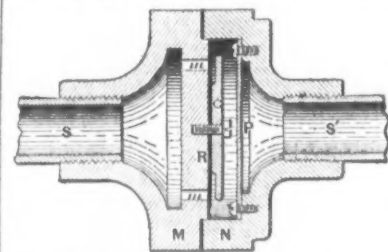


Fig. 6.—Longitudinal Section of the Gas Valve.

vented. In many engines of this general type this is effected by means of water jackets. In this case, however, as will be seen from the perspective view, Fig. 1, the cylinder is provided with a number of ribs that form a large area of radiating surface, and the heat generated by the explosion is rapidly given off in this way. While recently inspecting an engine of this kind, which had been worked for some 15 or 20 minutes, it was found that the cylinder walls were heated only to a moderate extent, so as to allow it to be touched with the hand without any inconvenience. The manufacturers state, moreover, that by slightly differing from the general construction they have succeeded in working their engines with gasoline, thus enabling the inhabitants of small towns, villages, &c., where no gas works exist, to provide themselves with motive power. From the general description that has been given of the engine it will be seen that it is only single-acting, and in order to carry the piston through the down stroke, the fly-wheel is of considerable weight, thus giving out the power that has been stored up during the ascending stroke of the piston in the interval in which no power is derived from the explosion of the gaseous mixture. Every provision has been made to insure a thorough lubrication of the working parts, and the valve, instead of working in the bore of a body cast in one piece with the cylinder, as is the case with some engines of

thick. Both ropes consist of wires about 765 yards long, coupled to each other, and for the ropes a breaking strength of 73 tons per square inch section is guaranteed. At the ends of the ropes weights of 5 and 3 tons are applied in the usual way for obtaining the proper tension. The distance between the 17 supports varies from 60 to 400 yards. The train rope is 0.6 inch thick, and consists of 12 soft-steel wires of 0.07 inch diameter, and runs at a speed of 1 1/2 yards

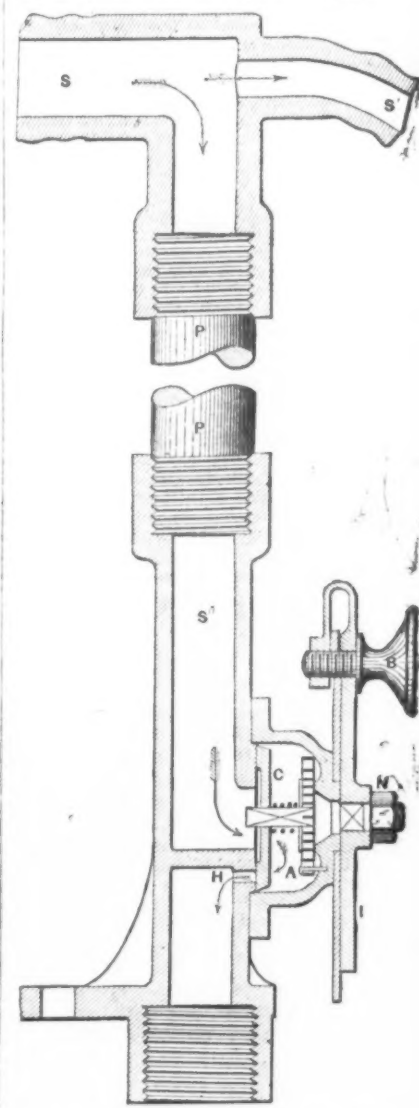


Fig. 8.—Sectional View of Regulating Valve and Supply Pipe.

per second. The vessels which convey the coal follow each other at a distance of about 83 yards; thus 36 are always on the way to and the same number coming from the station. Each vessel contains about 10 bushels, or about a quarter of a ton, of brown coal, the total quantity carried per hour being about 17 1/2 tons. The cost of the line was about \$25,000.

Drawbridge Safety Switches.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company have adopted a system of drawbridge signals which, it is claimed, will greatly reduce the danger of accidents. These signals are worked by a series of levers, five in number, the first two working semaphores signals at a distance of 1000 feet and 800 feet, respectively, from a bridge. The other

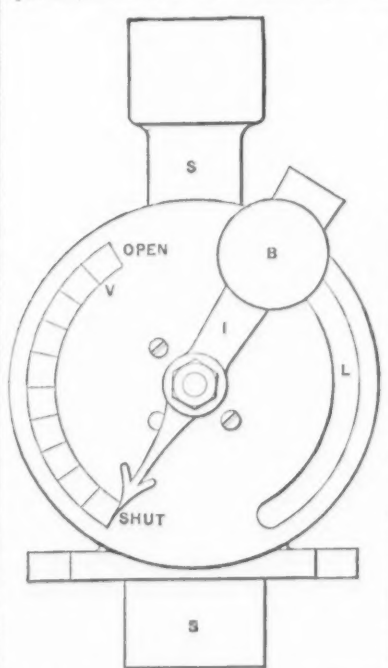


Fig. 7.—Front View of Regulating Appliance.

this type, now slides in an isolated piece, embracing the gas-valve and the exhaust pipe, and can be firmly connected to and easily taken off the cylinder by means of screw-studs. The result of this is that any wearing of these parts involves no displacement of the whole engine, but of this part only. The engine is manufactured in sizes from 1/2 up to 2 horse-power.

Wire Railway.

A description has recently been given in the German technical press of a wire railway in connection with the coal-mining industry established near the Hersteig, the products of which it brings to the main line belonging to the Southern Railway of Austria. In its alternating rise and fall during its distance of 3000 yards there is a useful excess of incline of about 1.42 yards, which, it is said, suffices to keep the line in self-acting working after it has been started by means of the 12-horse-power engine provided for that purpose. When there is no return load to be sent to the mine, the speed of the line can be regulated by a brake. Under these circumstances, the cost of working the line is estimated at about 5 1/2 cents per ton of coal. In its general arrangement the railway forms a straight line, and consists of two drawing ropes and the train rope. The line which is used for conveying the coal to the station is 1.10 inches thick, and is composed of 19 steel wires each 0.18 inch in diameter. The line on which the coal vessels are returned to the mine is only 0.66 inch thick, the 19 steel wires of which it is composed being only 0.13 inch

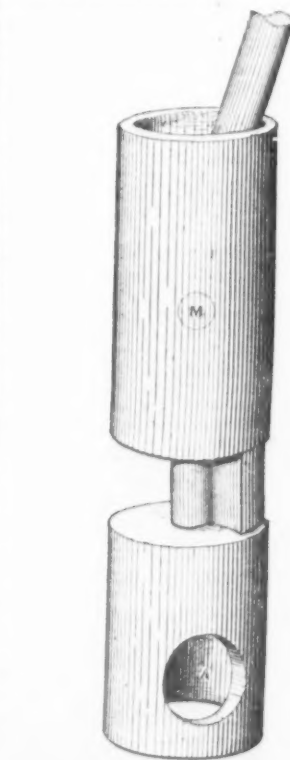


Fig. 9.—The Distributing Valve.

three work the switches of the siding and the lock of the bolt which holds the draw in place. Before the bridge can be unlocked, these levers must be worked in their order. It is impossible to work them in any other way, the interlocking preventing the draw-tender or signalman from moving the higher numbered lever until he has first moved the lower number. He cannot, when the draw is closed, replace the levers except in the regular reverse order. It follows that a danger signal must first be shown at a distance of 1000 feet from the draw, and if that warning to bring his train under control for

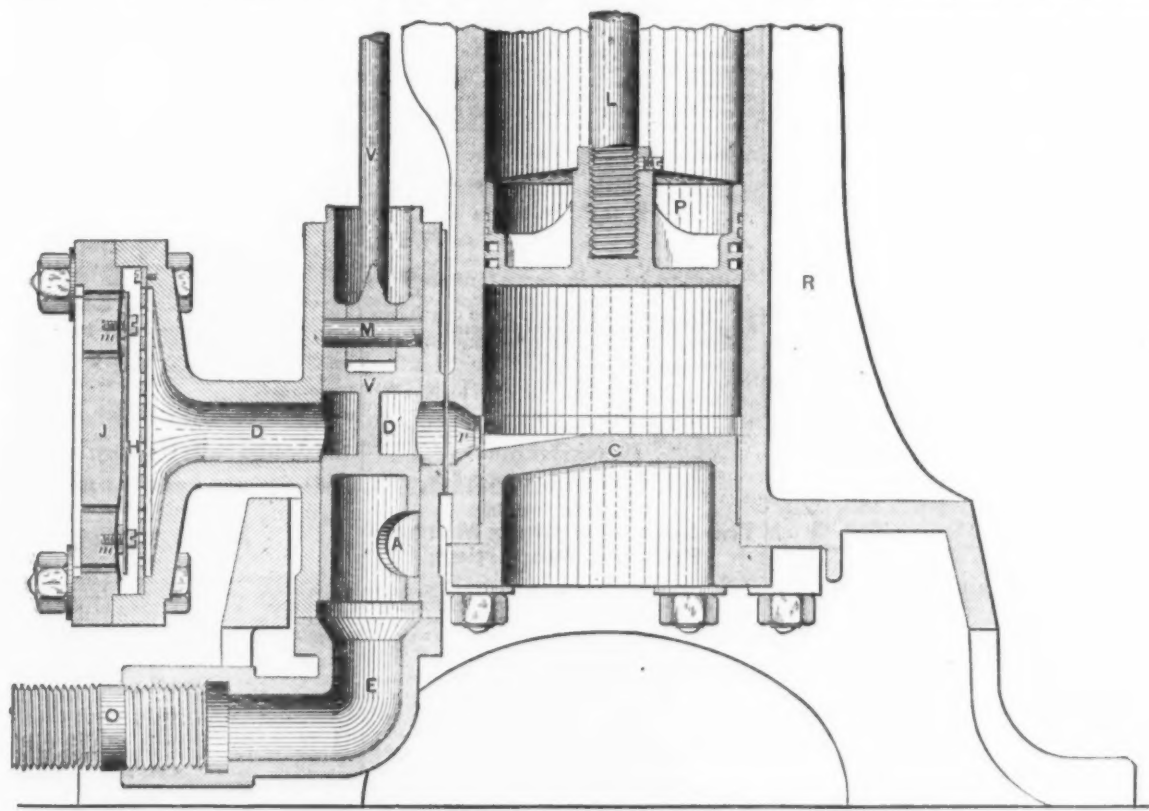


Fig. 2.—Enlarged Sectional View of Cylinder, Piston, Air and Distributing Valves.

and is provided with a slot, as shown, in order to allow the passage of the connecting-rod. The method of operation of the engine will perhaps be best understood by referring to Fig. 2. The valve-chest is arranged on the side of the cylinder next the fly-wheel, and consists simply of a cylinder into which fits the distributing valve V. The latter, Fig.

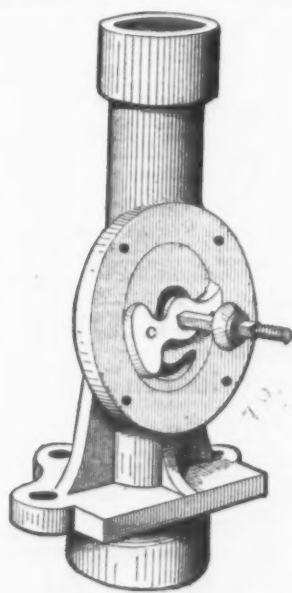


Fig. 3.—The Regulating Valve.

9, is cylindrical, and is moved up and down by the rod V, which, by a combination of levers, receives motion from the eccentric on the main shaft. A portion of the body of the valve is cut away so as to make room for the passage of gas and air from the respective supply pipes to the cylinder, and the channel so formed is represented by the letter

tional view of the cylinder, running, as it does, in a direction at right angles to the air-supply pipe. The latter is in direct connection with the air-valve, of which a longitudinal section is given, and supplies the proper proportion of air required in the explosive mixture. The air-valve, air-pipe and valve-chest are practically one piece. The valve, as shown, consists of a cast-iron plate, J, provided with two rows of perforations, the latter being covered by a ring of rubber, m, which is kept in position by another ring of sheet iron and small bolts placed at suitable intervals apart. Behind the plate J, which is fastened by means of bolts, is another perforated plate, H, through which the air must pass before entering the cylinder. Referring to the gas-valve previously mentioned, it should be stated that the gas enters through the pipe S, Fig. 6, and then passes through small apertures, m m, in the piece M, which, in the case of the air-valve, are covered by means of a piece of rubber. In this particular instance, however, the rubber ring is supplanted by a rubber disk, which is held down by a small circular plate of cast iron with projecting flanges, the latter limiting the height to which the edges of the rubber disk are raised by the suction produced by the ascending piston. Another perforated disk, P, is at the bottom of the piece N, and the latter is firmly secured to the portion M by bolts, which, however, are not shown in the engraving. The pipe S' finally leads the gas to the valve-chest. Before proceeding any further, attention should be drawn to the gas-regulating valve and to the arrangement of the gas supply pipe, by means of which a uniformity of pressure and a thorough control of the gas may be secured. Fig. 3 represents the general arrangement, and we think that with the following explanation no difficulty will be experienced in understanding it. The supply of gas is taken from the main supply pipe S, which, as shown, branches off in two different directions, a portion of the gas entering the pipe S', which leads to the igniter, and the remaining portion passing downward and entering the intermediate pipe P. This

position shown in the engraving. A small lateral branch issues from the lower portion of the pipe S' (Fig. 4), and is furnished at its extreme end with a small orifice, P, through which gas issues. It sometimes happens that the igniting flame at I' is extinguished by the sudden rush of air due to the explosion of the charge in the cylinder, and when this is the case the small flame at P serves to relight it. A plan of the igniter is shown in Fig. 5, from an inspection of which the reader will readily understand the method adopted to support the pipe S' and

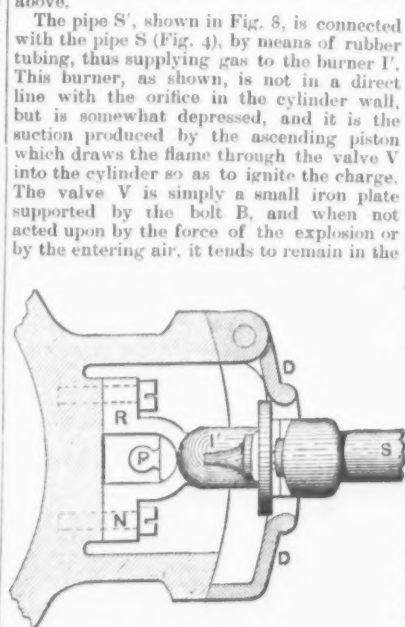


Fig. 5.—Plan of Igniter.

by proceeding in the manner indicated above. The pipe S', shown in Fig. 8, is connected with the pipe S (Fig. 4), by means of rubber tubing, thus supplying gas to the burner I'. This burner, as shown, is not in a direct line with the orifice in the cylinder wall, but is somewhat depressed, and it is the suction produced by the ascending piston which draws the flame through the valve V into the cylinder so as to ignite the charge. The valve V is simply a small iron plate supported by the bolt B, and when not acted upon by the force of the explosion or by the entering air, it tends to remain in the

A stop is neglected by the engineer, the signal is again given at 300 feet distant. Should this warning be neglected, the engineer will find his train shunted to a side track, and thus prevented from plunging into the open draw, for the draw cannot be opened unless it has been previously unlocked; it cannot be unlocked until the safety-switch has first been unbolted and set for the siding; the switch cannot be set until the home signal has been set for danger, and the home signal cannot be set for danger until the distance signal has been so set. These operations are repeated on the other side of the draw, which is fitted with a bolt at each end. Supplemental apparatus is provided so that the signalman may know at a distance of 1 1/4 miles that a train is approaching, so that the draw may not be opened and trains delayed unnecessarily. It is further claimed that when the draw, even if closed, should be unlocked, the safety switch cannot be thrown on the main line either by accident or design, and therefore no train can possibly run into the draw.

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| Bruce & Cook | 100 |
| J. L. Mott Iron Works | 100 |
| Coombs, Crosby & Eddy | 25 |
| H. R. De Milt | 25 |
| Hogan & Son | 10 |
| I. Belden | 50 |
| Wallace & Sons | 50 |
| Waterbury Brass Co. | 50 |
| Weibach Illiger Hardware Co. | 50 |
| McClay & Sanders | 50 |
| Schoverling, Daly & Gales | 50 |
| Alfred Field & Co. | 50 |
| Durrie & McCarty | 50 |
| Graham & Haines | 50 |
| John F. Moore & Sons | 15 |
| Maltby, Curtis & Co. | 15 |
| Hermann Baker & Co. | 25 |
| C. E. Jennings & Co. | 25 |
| The Livingston Horse Nail Co. | 50 |
| Russell & Erwin Mfg. Co. | 50 |
| Holmes, Booth & Haydens | 50 |
| E. J. Moore | 100 |

The Humason & Beckley Mfg. Co. have just issued a new illustrated catalogue which presents their line of goods in a very clear and attractive form. It begins with their line of Hammers, which has been very much extended. This company are paying particular attention to this line, for the extension of which they have made a considerable addition to their factory. A large share of the book is taken up by their Pocket Cutlery, the illustrations of which are very fine, and, being all full size, give a very clear idea of the goods. The book is well arranged, and the engravings, paper and printing are excellent.

We revise our quotations of wire as follows:

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| Brass and Copper | dis. 30% |
| Market, Bright and Annealed | dis. 35% |
| Market, Coppered | dis. 40% |
| Market, Galvanized | dis. 45% |
| Market, Tinned | dis. 45% |
| Stone, Bright & Annealed, Nos. 10 to 18 | dis. 55% |
| Stone, Bright & Annealed, Nos. 19 to 26 | dis. 60% |
| Stone, Bright & Annealed, Nos. 27 to 36 | dis. 65% |
| Stone, Galvanized, Nos. 10 to 30 | dis. 45% |
| Stone, Tinned, Nos. 10 to 30 | dis. 45% |
| Cast-steel Wire, 10 to 30 | dis. 55% |
| Annealed Fence, Nos. 8 and 9 | dis. 55% |
| Annealed Fence, Nos. 10 to 14 | dis. 55% |

Horace F. Sise, their New York agent, has furnished us a copy of the new illustrated catalogue of the Penn Hardware Co., of Reading, Pa., which is a neat and well-printed quarto of about 150 pages. There are many new goods shown in this catalogue, among which we notice a line of Sash Fasteners, Sash Lifts, Drawer Pulls, Tower and Barrel Bolts and others. The following are their present prices and discounts.

PRICE LIST AND DISCOUNT SHEET TO CATALOGUE, 1883.

| Page in Catalogue. | Apple Patents. | Triumph Quarter. | Triumph Quarter. |
|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1-3 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 |
| 4-6 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 |
| 7-9 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 |
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| 28-30 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 |
| 31-33 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 |
| 34-36 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 | Per dozen, Penn. \$6.00 |
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| Quan. | Val. | Quan. | Val. |
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| Pdm. gals. 10,668 | 2,092 | Pdm. gals. 750 | 113 |
| Mf. iron, pkgs. 107 | 5,034 | Mf. iron, pkgs. 7 | 13 |
| Sew. mch. cs. 185 | 4,010 | | |
| Mach'y. pkgs. 17,720 | 3,463 | | |
| Cutlery, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Scalps, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Revolvers, cs. 4 | 216 | | |
| Iron, pkgs. 177 | 320 | | |
| Pumps, pkgs. 8 | 320 | | |
| Clocks, pkgs. 10 | 272 | | |
| Ld. pipe, coils | 20 | | |
| Solder, bxs. 9 | 93 | | |
| Amputation | | | |
| pkgs. 55 | 95 | | |
| Nails, box 1 | 28 | | |
| Valves, cs. 1 | 157 | | |
| Sugar mills, 8 | 157 | | |
| Brass g'ds, cs. 9 | 271 | | |
| Boiler, 1 | 1,461 | | |
| Spikes, kgs. 30 | 235 | | |
| Shot, bxs. 1 | 600 | | |
| Copper stl. 1 | 600 | | |
| Coal tubs 30 | 360 | | |
| Anchors 30 | 713 | | |

IMPORTS.

Of Hardware, Iron, Steel and Metals into the Port of New York, for the Week ending February 28, 1883.

| Hardware. | Iron. | Steel. | Metals. |
|------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Atlas S. S. Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases, 30 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Casks, 2 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Brown, Shipley & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases, 2 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Blanche H. T. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Engine, case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Berbeck J. & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Packages, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Baldwin Bros. & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Gun barrels, cs. 10 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Blumenthal B. & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Boker Hermann & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Hdw., cutlery, &c. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| pkgs. 48 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Bloom N. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chapman H. S. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Machinery, cs. 5 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Castle S. A. & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases, 7 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Clark Thread Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mach'y. pkgs. 277 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Codd H. & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Machinery, case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Curley J. & Bros. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cutlery, case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Degrauv, Aymar & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chains, lengths, 2 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Field Alfred & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 30 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chains, cs. 38 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Anvils, 170 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cutlery, cs. 5 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Folsom H. & D. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Arms, cs. 4 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 10 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Greenmount spinning | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., pkgs. 7 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Grat Cutlery Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases, 4 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chains, cs. 11 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 6 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Grinnell, Minton & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Machinery, pcs. 40 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Huermann W. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Machinery, case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Hammacher A. & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Servers, saws and | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| tools, cs. 10 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| King H. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases, 5 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Ludwig E. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Machinery, cs. 9 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Merchants' Dm. Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Arms, cs. 3 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Ironware, case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Moore J. F. Sons | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 20 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Moss F. W. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Files, cs. 7 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mott Iron Works | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Washburn, rates, 80 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Niles Tool Works | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 12 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Noyes, Smith & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases, 4 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Peters & Calhoun | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Packages, 3 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Riley & Kerrigan | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Nails, cs. 22 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Schoverling, Daly & | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Gales | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Arms, cs. 7 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 31 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Struller, Lau & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Arms, cs. 4 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Taylor Thos. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 5 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Thompson John | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases, 2 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Voss Clef & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 17 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Waefelaer & Wood | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Iron hook nails, | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| cs. 91 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Ward Alidine | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Mdse., cs. 4 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Wiebusch, Hilger & Co. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Hdw., cutlery, guns, | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| pkgs. 61 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Witte John O. & Bro. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cutlery, cs. 2 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Order | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Files, cs. 13 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chains, cs. 1, for | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chicago, 11 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chains for Chicago, 7 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases for Chicago, 9 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases for Chicago, 5 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Chains, cs. 10 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Machinery, cs. 14 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Anvils, 34 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Moss F. W. | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Machinery for Can- | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| ada, pkgs. 51 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cases for Canada, 10 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Packages for Can- | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| ada, 4 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |
| Cutlery, case, 1 | Iron, 100 | Steel, 100 | Metals, 100 |

| Quan. | Val. | Quan. | Val. |
|----------------------|-------|-------------------|------|
| Pdm. gals. 10,668 | 2,092 | Pdm. gals. 750 | 113 |
| Mf. iron, pkgs. 107 | 5,034 | Mf. iron, pkgs. 7 | 13 |
| Sew. mch. cs. 185 | 4,010 | | |
| Mach'y. pkgs. 17,720 | 3,463 | | |
| Cutlery, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Scalps, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Revolvers, cs. 4 | 216 | | |
| Iron, pkgs. 177 | 320 | | |
| Pumps, pkgs. 8 | 320 | | |
| Clocks, pkgs. 10 | 272 | | |
| Ld. pipe, coils | 20 | | |
| Solder, bxs. 9 | 93 | | |
| Amputation | | | |
| pkgs. 55 | 95 | | |
| Nails, box 1 | 28 | | |
| Valves, cs. 1 | 157 | | |
| Sugar mills, 8 | 157 | | |
| Brass g'ds, cs. 9 | 271 | | |
| Boiler, 1 | 1,461 | | |
| Spikes, kgs. 30 | 235 | | |
| Shot, bxs. 1 | 600 | | |
| Copper stl. 1 | 600 | | |
| Coal tubs 30 | 360 | | |
| Anchors 30 | 713 | | |

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| Pdm. gals. 10,668 | 2,092 | Pdm. gals. 750 | 113 |
| Mf. iron, pkgs. 107 | 5,034 | Mf. iron, pkgs. 7 | 13 |
| Sew. mch. cs. 185 | 4,010 | | |
| Mach'y. pkgs. 17,720 | 3,463 | | |
| Cutlery, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Scalps, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Revolvers, cs. 4 | 216 | | |
| Iron, pkgs. 177 | 320 | | |
| Pumps, pkgs. 8 | 320 | | |
| Clocks, pkgs. 10 | 272 | | |
| Ld. pipe, coils | 20 | | |
| Solder, bxs. 9 | 93 | | |
| Amputation | | | |
| pkgs. 55 | 95 | | |
| Nails, box 1 | 28 | | |
| Valves, cs. 1 | 157 | | |
| Sugar mills, 8 | 157 | | |
| Brass g'ds, cs. 9 | 271 | | |
| Boiler, 1 | 1,461 | | |
| Spikes, kgs. 30 | 235 | | |
| Shot, bxs. 1 | 600 | | |
| Copper stl. 1 | 600 | | |
| Coal tubs 30 | 360 | | |
| Anchors 30 | 713 | | |

| Quan. | Val. | Quan. | Val. |
|----------------------|-------|-------------------|------|
| Pdm. gals. 10,668 | 2,092 | Pdm. gals. 750 | 113 |
| Mf. iron, pkgs. 107 | 5,034 | Mf. iron, pkgs. 7 | 13 |
| Sew. mch. cs. 185 | 4,010 | | |
| Mach'y. pkgs. 17,720 | 3,463 | | |
| Cutlery, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Scalps, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Revolvers, cs. 4 | 216 | | |
| Iron, pkgs. 177 | 320 | | |
| Pumps, pkgs. 8 | 320 | | |
| Clocks, pkgs. 10 | 272 | | |
| Ld. pipe, coils | 20 | | |
| Solder, bxs. 9 | 93 | | |
| Amputation | | | |
| pkgs. 55 | 95 | | |
| Nails, box 1 | 28 | | |
| Valves, cs. 1 | 157 | | |
| Sugar mills, 8 | 157 | | |
| Brass g'ds, cs. 9 | 271 | | |
| Boiler, 1 | 1,461 | | |
| Spikes, kgs. 30 | 235 | | |
| Shot, bxs. 1 | 600 | | |
| Copper stl. 1 | 600 | | |
| Coal tubs 30 | 360 | | |
| Anchors 30 | 713 | | |

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| Pdm. gals. 10,668 | 2,092 | Pdm. gals. 750 | 113 |
| Mf. iron, pkgs. 107 | 5,034 | Mf. iron, pkgs. 7 | 13 |
| Sew. mch. cs. 185 | 4,010 | | |
| Mach'y. pkgs. 17,720 | 3,463 | | |
| Cutlery, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Scalps, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Revolvers, cs. 4 | 216 | | |
| Iron, pkgs. 177 | 320 | | |
| Pumps, pkgs. 8 | 320 | | |
| Clocks, pkgs. 10 | 272 | | |
| Ld. pipe, coils | 20 | | |
| Solder, bxs. 9 | 93 | | |
| Amputation | | | |
| pkgs. 55 | 95 | | |
| Nails, box 1 | 28 | | |
| Valves, cs. 1 | 157 | | |
| Sugar mills, 8 | 157 | | |
| Brass g'ds, cs. 9 | 271 | | |
| Boiler, 1 | 1,461 | | |
| Spikes, kgs. 30 | 235 | | |
| Shot, bxs. 1 | 600 | | |
| Copper stl. 1 | 600 | | |
| Coal tubs 30 | 360 | | |
| Anchors 30 | 713 | | |

| Quan. | Val. | Quan. | Val. |
|----------------------|-------|-------------------|------|
| Pdm. gals. 10,668 | 2,092 | Pdm. gals. 750 | 113 |
| Mf. iron, pkgs. 107 | 5,034 | Mf. iron, pkgs. 7 | 13 |
| Sew. mch. cs. 185 | 4,010 | | |
| Mach'y. pkgs. 17,720 | 3,463 | | |
| Cutlery, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Scalps, cs. 175 | 3,463 | | |
| Revolvers, cs. 4 | 216 | | |
| Iron, pkgs. 177 | 320 | | |
| Pumps, pkgs. 8 | 320 | | |
| Clocks, pkgs. 10 | 272 | | |
| Ld. pipe, coils | 20 | | |
| Solder, bxs. 9 | 93 | | |
| Amputation | | | |
| pkgs. 55 | 95 | | |
| Nails, box 1 | 28 | | |
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| Sugar mills, 8 | 157 | | |
| Brass g'ds, cs. 9 | 271 | | |
| Boiler, 1 | 1,461 | | |
| Spikes, kgs. 30 | 235 | | |
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| Coal tubs 30 | 360 | | |
| Anchors 30 | 713 | | |

and be risky under present conditions, and it may be stated as a matter of fact that the trade are almost unanimous in their anticipations of a very active demand within the next two weeks. Stocks in consumers' hands have been reduced to unusually low point, and as the demand for manufactured articles is likely to be heavy, there seems to be substantial grounds for expecting a sharp demand for raw material. Supplies are abundant, undoubtedly, and it is hardly likely that they will show much improvement, but a wider market is confidently looked for, and possibly a slight reaction from the recent extremely low quotations. Sales during the week have shown a wide range of prices, the realization as much as \$24.50 at furnace No. 1 Foundry, others shading \$23; for No. 2, \$21, others at \$18 to \$18.50. Under these circumstances it is difficult to state with exactness, as price depends to a great extent on quantity taken, terms of payment and character of brand. For high brands the usual quotations are from \$20 to \$24 at furnace for No. 1 Foundry.

tories and storehouses that have lately been flooded are being overhauled. Defects in foundations and the woodwork, from age, are discovered only in time to save great damage to machinery and other property. During the past week there has been a fair trade in all kinds of iron, orders being confined to small lots for immediate uses, quotations covering them as follows: No. 1 Hanging Rock Charcoal Foundry, \$25 @ \$26; No. 1 Hanging Rock Coke Foundry, \$23; No. 1 Southern Coke Foundry, \$21.50 @ \$22; No. 2 of above, from 50¢ to \$1 less; Silver Gray Softeners, No. 1, \$22; No. 2, \$21; No. 3, \$20; Silver Gray Softener and Fluxer, \$22.50; Forge Irons, \$19.50 @ \$24, covering Stonecoal, Coke and Charcoal kinds; Car Wheel Irons, Cold-blast Charcoal, \$30 @ \$31; Warm-blast, \$26 @ \$28; Blooms, Best Charcoal Hammered Flanging, \$50; Pig and Common Scrap, \$35 @ \$40; Scrap Iron—Old Rails, T's and D. H., \$25 @ \$26.50; No. 1 Wrought, \$1.20 @ \$1.40; Country, \$1 @ \$1.20; Light, 90¢ @ \$1; Cast, Heavy, No. 1, 80¢ @ 85¢; Light, 50¢ @ 75¢.

LOUISVILLE.

Messrs. GEO. H. HULL & Co., Commission Merchants, report to us as follows, under date of February 24, 1883: The Iron business has been almost entirely suspended during the last week by the flood. Many of the largest concerns are more or less under water. It is likely that it will be from two to six weeks before these concerns are under way again. We continue our last week's quotations, with some slight changes. These quotations represent cash prices for round lots:

FOUNDRY IRON.

No. 1 Hanging Rock Charcoal.....\$25.50 @ 26.00
No. 1 Southern Charcoal.....25.00 @ 25.50
No. 1 Hanging Rock Stonecoal and Coke.....22.00 @ 22.50
No. 1 Southern Stonecoal and Coke.....22.00 @ 22.50
No. 2 Southern Stonecoal and Coke.....21.00 @ 21.50
"American-Scotch".....21.00 @ 22.00
Open Silver-gray.....20.00 @ 20.50
Close Silver-gray.....19.00 @ 19.50

MILL IRONS.

No. 1 Charcoal.....21.00 @ 21.50
No. 1 Stonecoal and Coke, Neutral.....19.50 @ 20.40
No. 2 Stonecoal and Coke, Neutral.....18.00 @ 19.50
No. 1 Stonecoal and Coke, Cold-short.....18.50 @ 19.50
No. 2 Stonecoal and Coke, Cold-short.....18.00 @ 18.50
White and Mottled, Cold-short and Neutral.....17.00 @ 18.00

CAR-WHEEL IRONS.

Hanging Rock, Coal-blast.....30.00 @ 32.00
Hanging Rock, Warm-blast.....25.00 @ 27.00
Alabama and Georgia, Warm and Cold-blast.....26.00 @ 28.00
Central Kentucky, Cold-blast.....26.00 @ 28.00

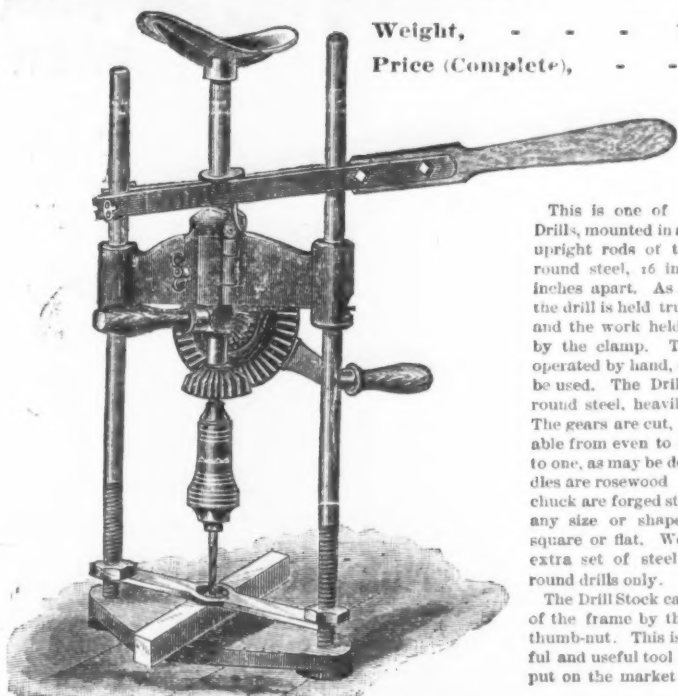
W. B. BELKNAP & Co., Iron and Steel Merchants, No. 115 to 121 West Main street, report to us as follows, under date of Feb. 24, 1883: Business for the past week has been fair, with few new features to note. The drowned-out factories have emerged from the muddy flood and the men have gone to work. The liberality of the American people was never more happily evinced. Unsolicited contributions came from North and South, and even the little country towns sent in their quota with a message of sympathy. As your correspondent was chairman of the Relief Committee, he was in a good position to judge of the generous spirit in which such aid was offered. When want or distress shows itself, neither politics nor sectionalism interferes to prevent relief. Iron is quoted the same, and can be bought as low as at any previous date since the decline set in, despite the fact that some mills threaten an advance. An improvement is not impossible after the adjournment of Congress. The sessions of our legislative bodies, State and national, are dreaded, as causing doubt and distrust to prevail. Last week's quotations hold good—Bar Iron, \$2.25 @ \$2.30. Nails are moving in small quantities only. From store we quote \$3.50. There is promise of abundant supply. Rivets.—We note a decline in Burden Boiler Rivets, incident to their recent circular. Tank Rivets, much demoralized of late, are advanced by the manufacturers to 40 and 75¢. General orders for Hardware are as good as one could expect in view of the weather.

BALTIMORE.

W. N. WYETH, Iron and Steel Merchant, 45 and 48 South Charles street, reports us the following, under date of Feb. 26, 1883: Trade for the past week has ruled quiet and depressed. Values are drooping and daily shaded to induce orders, which are only placed to meet immediate wants.

Ref. Bar Iron, 1 to 6 x 3/4 to 1 1/2 x 3/4 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 3/4 to 1 1/2 x 1/2 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/2 to 1 1/2 x 1/4 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/4 to 1 1/2 x 1/8 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/8 to 1 1/2 x 1/16 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/16 to 1 1/2 x 1/32 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/32 to 1 1/2 x 1/64 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/64 to 1 1/2 x 1/128 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/128 to 1 1/2 x 1/256 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/256 to 1 1/2 x 1/512 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/512 to 1 1/2 x 1/1024 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/1024 to 1 1/2 x 1/2048 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/2048 to 1 1/2 x 1/4096 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/4096 to 1 1/2 x 1/8192 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/8192 to 1 1/2 x 1/16384 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/16384 to 1 1/2 x 1/32768 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/32768 to 1 1/2 x 1/65536 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/65536 to 1 1/2 x 1/131072 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/131072 to 1 1/2 x 1/262144 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/262144 to 1 1/2 x 1/524288 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/524288 to 1 1/2 x 1/1048576 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/1048576 to 1 1/2 x 1/2097152 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/2097152 to 1 1/2 x 1/4194304 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/4194304 to 1 1/2 x 1/8388608 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/8388608 to 1 1/2 x 1/16777216 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/16777216 to 1 1/2 x 1/33554432 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/33554432 to 1 1/2 x 1/67108864 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/67108864 to 1 1/2 x 1/134217728 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/134217728 to 1 1/2 x 1/268435456 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/268435456 to 1 1/2 x 1/536870912 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/536870912 to 1 1/2 x 1/1073741824 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/1073741824 to 1 1/2 x 1/2147483648 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/2147483648 to 1 1/2 x 1/4294967296 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/4294967296 to 1 1/2 x 1/8589934592 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/8589934592 to 1 1/2 x 1/17179869184 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/17179869184 to 1 1/2 x 1/34359738368 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/34359738368 to 1 1/2 x 1/68719476736 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/68719476736 to 1 1/2 x 1/137438953472 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/137438953472 to 1 1/2 x 1/274877906944 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/274877906944 to 1 1/2 x 1/549755813888 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/549755813888 to 1 1/2 x 1/1099511627776 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/1099511627776 to 1 1/2 x 1/2199023255552 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/2199023255552 to 1 1/2 x 1/4398046511104 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/4398046511104 to 1 1/2 x 1/8796093022208 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/8796093022208 to 1 1/2 x 1/17592186044416 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/17592186044416 to 1 1/2 x 1/35184372088832 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/35184372088832 to 1 1/2 x 1/70368744177664 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/70368744177664 to 1 1/2 x 1/140737488355328 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/140737488355328 to 1 1/2 x 1/281474976710656 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/281474976710656 to 1 1/2 x 1/562949953421312 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/562949953421312 to 1 1/2 x 1/1125899906842624 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/1125899906842624 to 1 1/2 x 1/2251799813685248 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/2251799813685248 to 1 1/2 x 1/4503599627370496 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/4503599627370496 to 1 1/2 x 1/9007199254740992 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/9007199254740992 to 1 1/2 x 1/18014398509481984 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/18014398509481984 to 1 1/2 x 1/36028797018963968 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/36028797018963968 to 1 1/2 x 1/72057594037927936 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/72057594037927936 to 1 1/2 x 1/144115188075855872 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/144115188075855872 to 1 1/2 x 1/288230376151711744 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/288230376151711744 to 1 1/2 x 1/576460752303423488 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/576460752303423488 to 1 1/2 x 1/1152921504606846976 @ 2 1/2-10¢
" " 1 1/2 x 1/1152921504606846976 to 1 1/2 x 1/2305843009213693952 @ 2 1/2-10¢
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FRANCE.

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PARIS, Feb. 15, 1883.—*Metals*.—The demand has been slack, but toward the close it begins to revive. Copper and Tin improving and Lead and Spelter declining. We quote: Copper—Cath Bars, 175 @ 177.50 francs; 100 kg. Ingots and Slabs, 177.50; Best Selected, 182.50 and Pure Crocoire Ore, 172.50; Tin—Banca, 255; Biliton, 250.50, and Straits, Australian and English, 250; Lead, 33.25 @ 34.25, and Spelter, 41 @ 42. Iron.—In the city there has been a heavy market, causing prices to weaken. Merchant iron sold at 19 francs @ 100 kg.; Flooring ditto at 19.50; Corners, 20, and sheets at 24. Finally, however, a firmer feeling has begun to prevail, dealers at length having agreed to combine and put up the price 25¢, which is more in accordance with the ruling in the iron regions. In the North and West prices are held higher by makers than the iron sells at Paris. The Haute Marne is, however, not very firm. Steel works are generally busy, and the Northeastern works succeeded in selling to the railroads in that district some Steel Rails at 19.25, deliverable at Maubeuge. Production in France in 1882, in round numbers, has exceeded 2,000,000 tons. Pig Iron, 1,000,000 tons; Finished Iron and 480,000 tons Steel. So far we possess 5 basic converters, but their number will soon be doubled. The import of Machinery, Iron and Steel, Steamers, Tools and Hardware into France last year amounted to 177,000,000 francs worth, against 111,000,000 in 1881, and 91,000,000 in 1880; whereas there were exported thereof 92,000,000 francs in 1882; 97,000,000 in 1881, and 90,000,000 in 1880. There is still to be spent on public works 6,500,000,000 francs, of which 280,000,000 in 1883. This embraces 114 secondary railroad lines of togetherness 350 miles. Coal.—Although the output is large, the demand is fully up to it.

BELGIUM.

(Moniteur Industriel.)

BRUXELLES, Feb. 15, 1883.—*Iron*.—Pig Iron is still firmly held, and rolling-mill owners make an effort to put up their prices, but so far have failed to accomplish their aim, there not being enough of a demand to come to their assistance. While this is the case the position of our rolling mills becomes more precarious week after week; they therefore look forward with anxiety toward the opening of the spring demand. Everything, indeed, now turns on the more or less animation which the spring season shall witness. Should there be any disappointment on that score, we may witness a sudden caving in of prices. Meanwhile Pig Iron has been steady at 5.10 @ 6.25 for Puddling, while Foundry has ranged between 7.25 and 7.50. English Pig has been barely upheld at 6.30; Luxembourg at 5.75 @ 6.25. At Charleroi, besides Athus Pig, Halanzy Pig has made its appearance, meeting with a fair success. Merchant sells there at 11 francs. In our market No. 2 Merchant has sold at 14 francs and No. 1 at 15. Common Sheets have brought 18; No. 3, 20; No. 4, 28; Commercial, 24, and Fine, 26. No. 1 Merchant we can quote 12.25. Steel Rails, 30 kg. to the running meter, sold at 15 francs; Steel Hoops at 23; do. Axles at 24. The large works in Belgium are still tolerably busy, and have during the week even received some commands for Flooring Iron, Sheets and Steel Rails; but works of second and third magnitude, although as yet engaged in filling previous orders, are afraid of buying Pig ahead till they can see their way clear. The high price of Pig holding no inducement to them to in any way anticipate laying in stock. *Metals* means while remain steady at 24.50 francs for Tin. Copper is worth 177. Lead 31 and Spelter 30.25. Coal, though fresh orders rather slacken, remains tolerably active on old ones; at tolerably firm prices a moderate trade continues to be transacted.

GERMANY.

(Cologne Gazette.)

DUISBURG, Feb. 14, 1883.—*Iron*.—Pig remains dull; in good qualities of Puddling and Foundry there is nevertheless a firm feeling. So far, the demand for Merchant Iron is not brisk, consumers still holding back; it is, however, no secret that stocks in the hands of dealers are exhausted, so that with the advent of spring a lively trade may be looked forward to with confidence. Boiler sheets have been fully sustained in price, whereas in thin ones only a limited business is done. We quote, on the spot: Prime Spiegeel, 72 marks; White Pig, No. 1, 62; Luxembourg Pig, 46; Charcoal do., 84; Foundry No. 1, 75; No. 2, 71; No. 3, 66; English Pig, No. 1, at Ruhrort, 64.50; do. do. summer at port of shipment, 52 @ 53; German do., 55.50; Merchant, 140 @ 105. Sheets 200 @ 225. Coal.—Notwithstanding the mild winter, the demand for both Coal and Coke has, on the whole, been satisfactory.

(Borsenhalle.)

HAMBURG, February 14, 1883.—*Iron*.—The situation of the iron market in Germany is not calculated to inspire confidence. It is, indeed, becoming scarce; the smaller works have few of them left. Curtailment of work is the order of the day. Thus, in most iron-producing regions, the output of Pig has been reduced 15%, and that of Finished Iron between 10% and 25%. Prices have meanwhile varied very little. Puddling Pig is held with a tolerable degree of firmness, but Merchant Iron has been considerably shaded in Westphalia. As for machine shops in general, they are still well engaged; locomotive makers in particular have, so far, little cause for complaint in this respect, several fresh adjudications that came off during the week having brought them additional work. Coal.—The outlook has become rather gloomy; the mild weather has kept within narrow limits the demand for domestic use, while dullness in the iron regions of Westphalia and Silesia causes Industrial Coal to be neglected. The tendency has become decidedly downward; in order to check the decline reduced production has to be resorted to. *Metals*.—Little doing. Lead is dull at 14.50 @ 15 marks; German; Copper is quiet at 71 @ 75; Tin a little better at 104 @ 109, and Spelter inactive at 31 @ 32.25 marks @ 50 kg.

HOLLAND.

(Koch & Vlierboom.)

ROTTERDAM, Feb. 11, 1883.—*Tin*.—Since the Government sale this metal has continued to tend upward. Biliton on the spot gradually recovering from 55.50 guilders @ 50 kg. to 57, and May delivery even brought 57.75, while Banca deliverable from the said auction sold at 57.50. The market closes quiet at 56.75 for Biliton and 57.50 for Banca.

INDUSTRIAL ITEMS.

MAINE.

The Deer Isle Zinc and Silver Mining Co. have been incorporated, with a capital of \$1,000,000. The company will mine zinc and other ores and minerals, manufacture articles of the same, and are also empowered to construct railroads for the transportation of their product.

CONNECTICUT.

The Winchester Arms Co., of New Haven, are contracting for 30,000 rifles. On the 26th the manufacture of 5000 brass receiver guns will begin. Then 15,000 of the latest improved rifles will be made. Work on 15,000 bayonets has begun.

There were 112,000 square feet of gravel roofing required for the new buildings of the Bridgeport Malleable Iron Co.

The Norwich Nickel Plating Co. will probably commence the manufacture of silver-plated goods shortly.

The annual product of the Derby Bit Co., of Ansonia, has a value of \$50,000.

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In order to make room for increasing business in pickers, cards and other machinery, and at the same time to protect the customers of the Phenix Machine Co., Messrs.

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The copartnership heretofore existing between John F. Rathbone, Grange Sard, Jr., Robert S. Oliver, Edward Bowditch and William H. Sard was recently dissolved by mutual consent. The object of this dissolution was to effect a reorganization under the incorporation laws of the State. The business heretofore conducted by this firm will for the future be managed by a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York, its corporate name being the same as that of the old firm. The capital is placed at \$800,000. The principal offices are at Albany, N. Y., with branch offices at Detroit, Mich., and Chicago, Ill. John F. Rathbone is president of the new organization, with Grange Sard, Jr., first vice-president and general manager. William H. Sard holds the office of second vice-president and will continue as manager of the Chicago branch. Edward Bowditch is secretary and treasurer and Robert S. Oliver superintendent. Walter P. Kellogg is the Detroit manager. From this distribution of duties and responsibilities among the incorporators, our readers will see that the reorganization will not in any respect change the management of the concern.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Colebrook Furnaces, at Lebanon, during the week ending on the 10th inst., largely exceeded their former best record. The daily product of these furnaces for the week was as follows, in tons of 2250 pounds:

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|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------------|
| February..... | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Total. |
| No. 1 Furnace..... | 85 | 85 | 84 | 91 | 94 | 94 | 93 | = 625 tons. |
| No. 2 Furnace..... | 82 | 72 | 86 | 83 | 85 | 75 | 97 | = 581 " |
| Total..... | | | | | | | | 1207 tons. |

The fuel used per ton of pig iron made at No. 1 Furnace was 924 pounds of anthracite coal and 1582 pounds of coke; total, 2506 pounds. The fuel used at No. 2 Furnace was 802 pounds of anthracite coal and 1605 pounds of coke; total, 2407 pounds.—*Iron and Steel Bulletin*.

The Stony Creek Rolling Mill, at Norristown, owned by J. H. Boone, started up last week, after two weeks' idleness.

Henry Clay Furnace No. 1, at Reading, has been blown in, after undergoing extensive repairs.

Rosena Furnace, at Newcastle, is making about 700 tons per week. Mr. A. M. Robbins, of that town, is in charge.

The new nail factory at South Williamsport will be started in the course of a week. The men are on hand and ready to go to work. There is talk of building a rolling mill and nail factory in Williamsport during the coming summer.

PITTSBURGH AND VICINITY.

The Adams direct process of producing iron from the ore, lately tried at Glenwood, will receive another test, which, if satisfactory, will lead to the formation of a large company. The right to use the Adams process in Allegheny County is owned by Leishman & Snyder, who have made an arrangement to divide the territory. Captain Vandergrift, Joshua Rhodes, H. S. A. Stewart, R. G. Loomis and others have been dickering with Leishman & Snyder for some time, and yesterday formed an agreement by which the right to manufacture iron by the Adams process in Allegheny County was passed over to them, with a reservation allowing Leishman & Snyder to manufacture 100,000 tons per year. The contract between the parties is provisional, and depends for fulfillment entirely upon the outcome of a test. While the work done at Glenwood was pronounced perfect, the men who are interested in this contract never take information at second-hand. They will build a furnace at the Pennsylvania Tube Works and thoroughly try the merits of the process. Should they be satisfied, the bargain will close. To make this test will require an outlay of about \$6000, and if success is achieved a plant of large proportions will be erected by a company which Vandergrift and the others intend to form. In addition to Allegheny County, these men have the refusal of the right to Bedford County, where they own large ore fields, and will take it if the coming test is all right.

The United States Tin Plate Works, at Denmler Station, on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, are to be rebuilt by J. H. Denmler & Sons, but not for the manufacture of tin plate. The experience of former years in making tin plate and the damper put upon the business by the tariff demonstrated that the time is not ripe for American tin plate. Instead of tin plate, the new works will be devoted entirely to sheet iron. Much of the old machinery can be used for this purpose, and, besides, the mill had a very good run of custom for sheet iron before the fire. The new works will be complete in every detail, the intention of the firm being to have a plant equal to any in the country and capable of producing the finest grades of iron. The work of construction will be begun as soon as the debris of the fire is cleared away, and it is expected that the mill will be in operation within 30 days from the time of commencing the rebuilding. Superintendent Kronmeyer states that all possible speed will be used in rebuilding, and he expects to make iron before April 1.

OHIO.

The Bellaire Nail Works have just ordered another 5 per cent. dividend. This is 13 per cent. in six months and 48 per cent. in two years.—*Cleveland Trade Review*.

The Cleveland company recently organized, with \$100,000 capital, to manufacture the pulp seamless barrel invented by Mr. M. L. Deering, expect soon to get to work. They

are having a large machine built by the City Machine Co., to cost \$5000 and to be done by the 1st of April. Meanwhile they have applied for patents in all the principal countries of Europe.

Woodruff & Son's large stove foundry, at Salem, which has been partly idle for some time, is again in full operation.

In December and January the Cleveland Twist Drill Co., did the largest business of any two months since the establishment started. They have added to their plant four Pratt & Whitney lathes, and are having some special turning lathes built in Cleveland. They are constantly adding milling machines of their own manufacture to the plant.

Among the parties reported to be negotiating with the New York and Ohio Iron and Steel Co. in regard to the purchase of their mill are Judge Wright; Ellery & Co.; a syndicate supposed to represent the Steam Mfg. Co.; W. B. Davidson, representing New York capitalists, and the Standard Tube Co. It is understood that, should the company fail to sell the mill, they will put in 100 nail machines.

The Forest City Iron Works, of Cleveland, are in full operation again.

Owing to the failure of Mr. H. C. Ayer, the creditors of Brown, Bonnell & Co. petitioned the court for the appointment of a receiver for the firm, and Mr. Fayette Brown, of Cleveland, was named as such. The works were at once shut down, with the exception of the blast furnaces, and on February 21 Mr. Brown began the work of taking an inventory. Upon being interviewed, he stated that the business of making an inventory would be pushed as expeditiously as possible, and that at its conclusion all the mills would be started and run without cessation, as to have them stand idle would certainly cause a loss and depreciate the value of the property, and that, properly managed, they could be operated at a profit to all concerned. All the creditors express themselves as highly pleased at the selection of Mr. Brown as receiver, and predict that the interests of all concerned will be protected by him.

The following coal and iron companies of the Hocking Valley have consolidated under the name of the Columbus and Hocking Coal and Iron Co.: the Akron Iron Co., at Buchtel; the Crafts Iron Co., at Greendale; the Thomas Iron Co., at Gore; the Winona Iron Co., at Winona; Moss & Marshall and the Thomas Coal Co., of New Straitsville; together with the coal properties of T. Longstreth, at Nelsonville and Longstreth. The authorized capital of the combination is \$5,000,000, and the property owned by it includes five of the largest furnaces in the Hocking Valley and 8000 acres of mineral lands. Other coal properties of the valley will be taken into the company within the next 30 days.

The Buckeye Stove Company, of Cleveland, have held their first annual meeting. The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year: President, S. T. Everett; vice-president, W. D. Watterson; treasurer, M. G. Watterson; secretary, W. H. Patterson; superintendent and general manager, A. E. Bronson. The annual report submitted at this meeting showed a high degree of prosperity for the company during the past year. The demand for Buckeye goods is reported so large that, in order to meet it, the company resumed operations in their foundries three weeks ago, and are now working full time and full-handed.

INDIANA.

Cobb's Iron and Nail Co., of Aurora, are out in a postal-card circular as follows: "Dear Sir: Instead of our iron and nail mills and railroad track being cut down and washed away, as some one falsely reported in the Cincinnati papers of the 12th inst., we are happy to inform our friends and customers at home and abroad that our factories are still standing and almost unharmed, and will be in active operation next week, without our workmen having missed a pay day, after having passed through a flood second only to that of Noah's time." The plate-glass works of W. C. De Pauw, at New Albany, were not so fortunate as Cobb's Iron and Nail Co. The works were flooded on the night of February 13, the fires extinguished in the furnaces, and damage done to the extent of at least \$10,000.

MISSOURI.

A somewhat unsuccessful start was made last week with green hands at the Vulcan Steel Works, of the St. Louis Steel and Ore Co. With more training, however, the management expect to be in successful operation in a few days.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

We are in receipt of a communication from J. M. White, superintendent of the Puget Sound Iron Company, who is now engaged in the erection of a blast furnace at Irondale, Washington Territory. Mr. White says: "The furnace erected at this place during 1880 has been taken down, having been declared by the original owners unprofitable and not of modern plan. The furnace I am now building will have an iron shell, on columns, 51 feet high by 10 feet in diameter of bosh, and will be in every way first-class. It will be called Irondale Furnace. It and the Clipper Gap Furnace, in Placer County, California, are both similar to the Menominee Furnace, Michigan—all erected by me. The ores to be used are magnetic and hematite, containing respectively 70 and 44 per cent. of the metallic iron." The main office of the Puget Sound Iron Company is at San Francisco, California.—*Iron and Steel Bulletin*.

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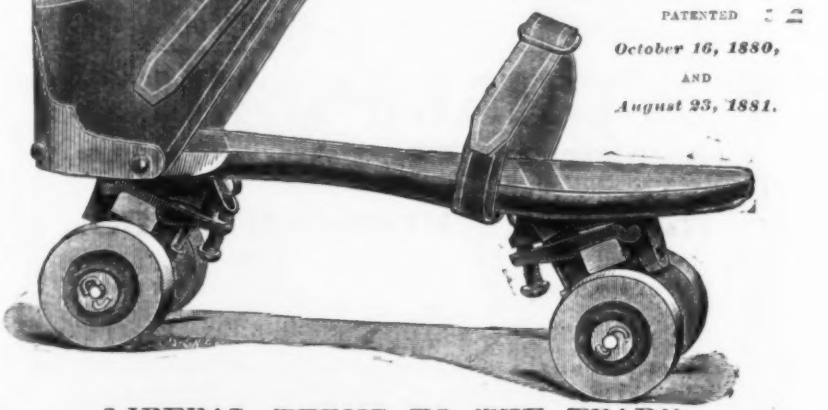
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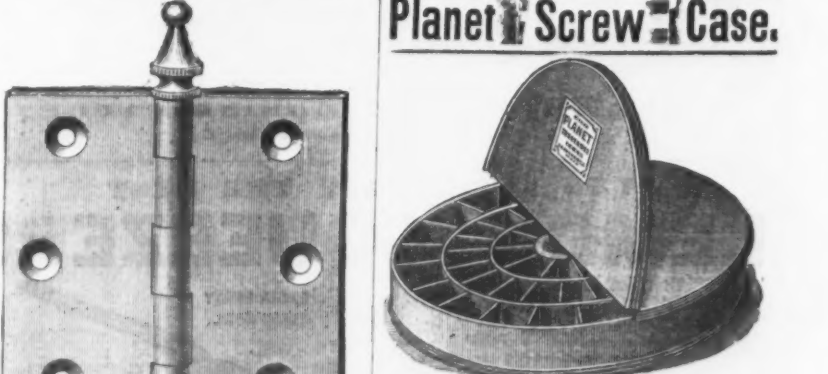
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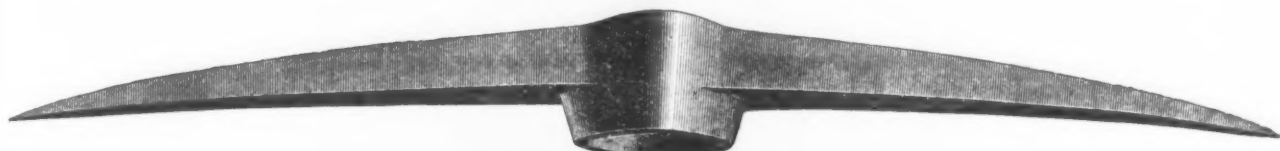
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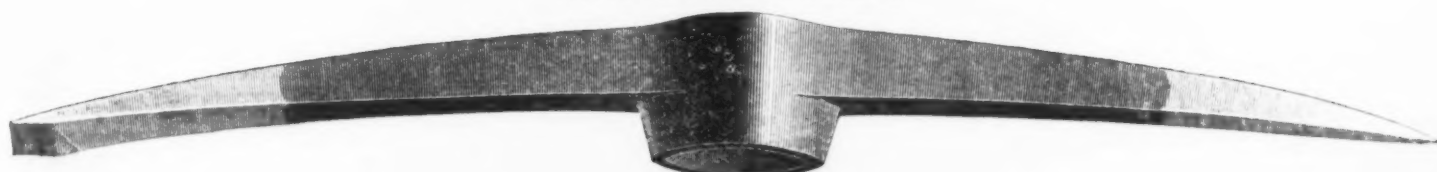
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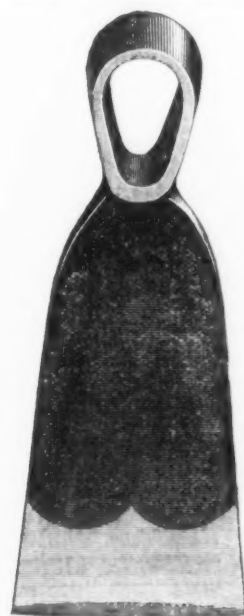
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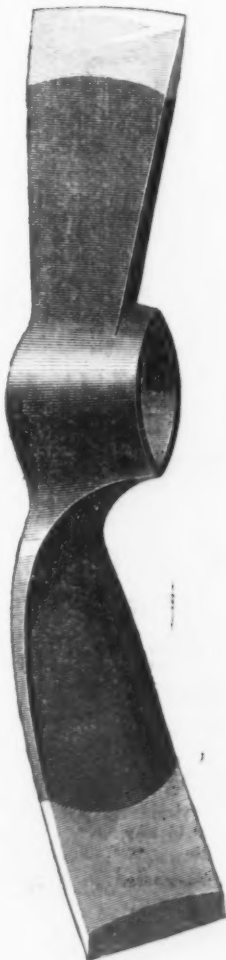
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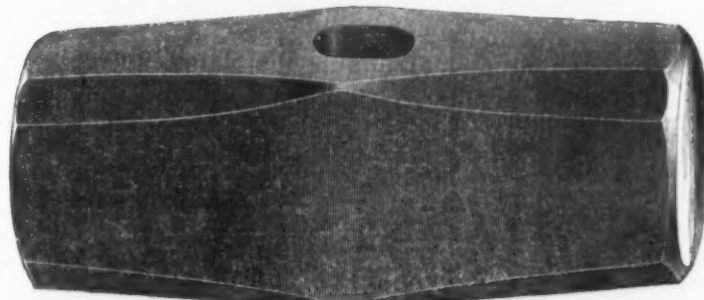
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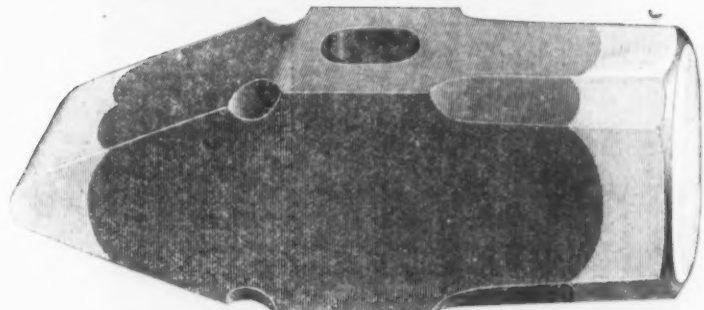
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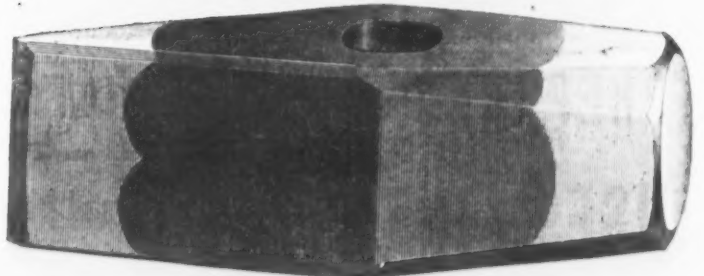
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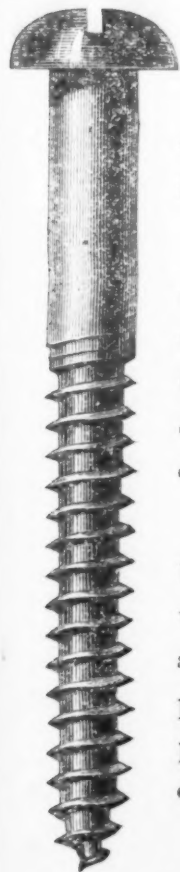
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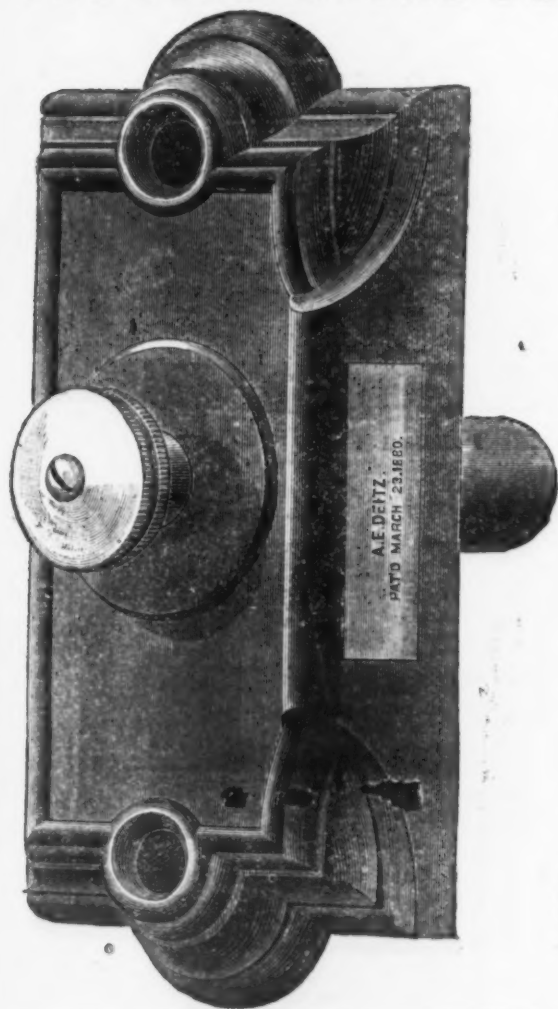
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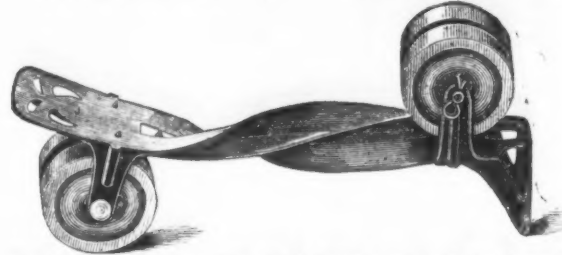
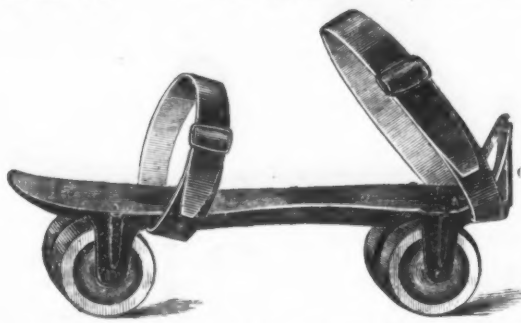


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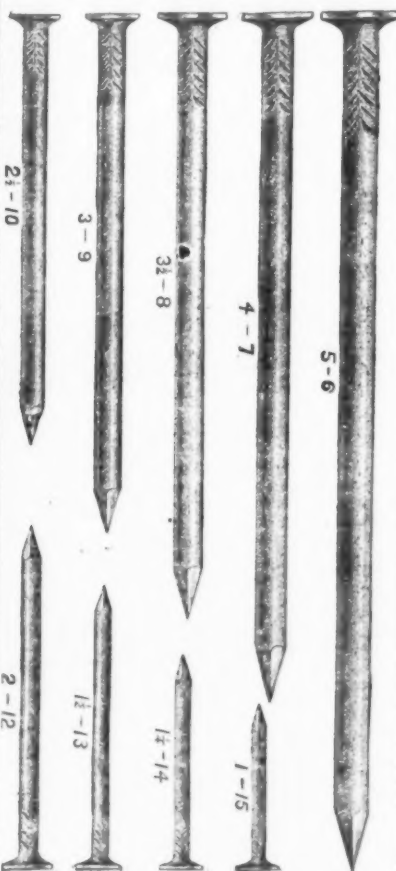
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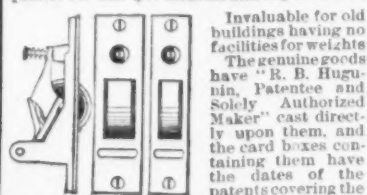
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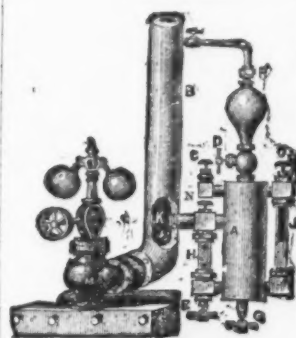
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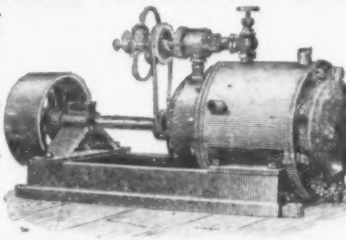
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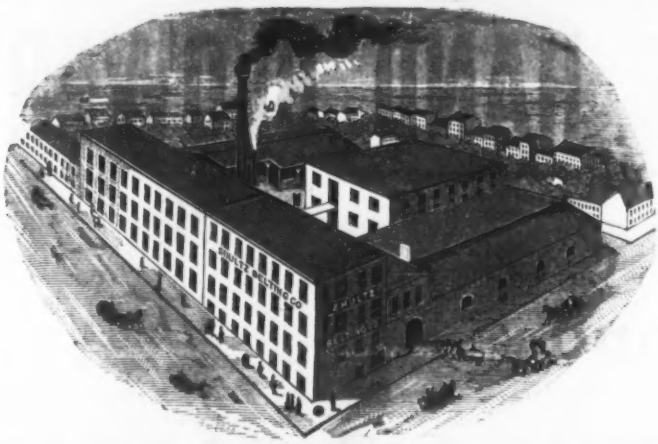


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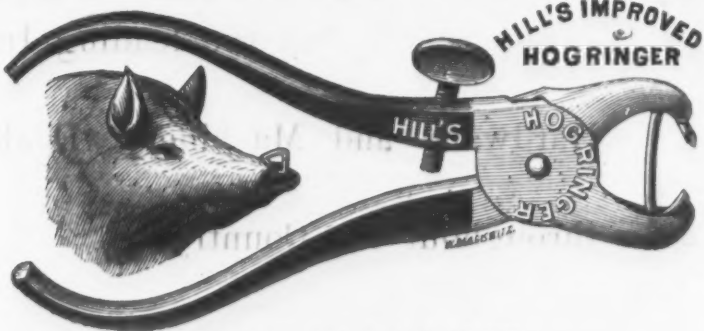
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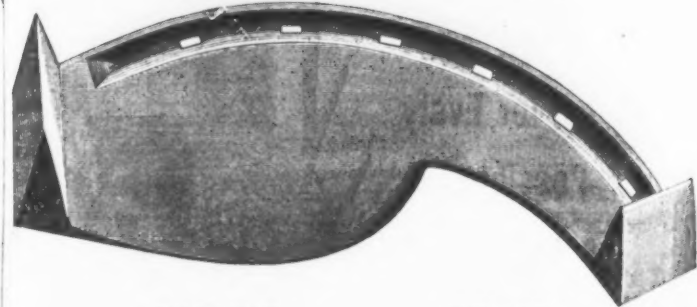
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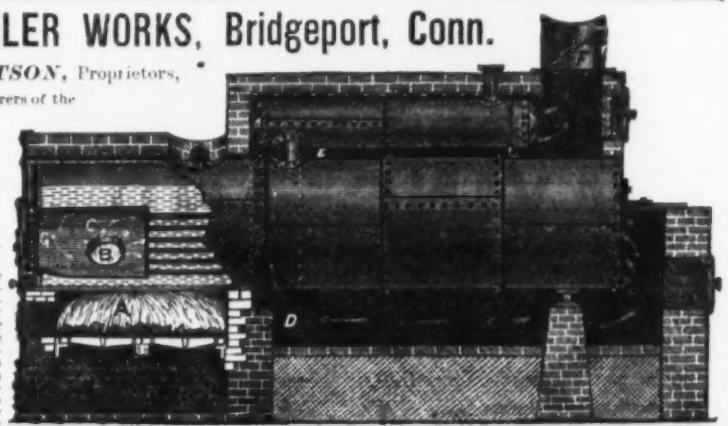
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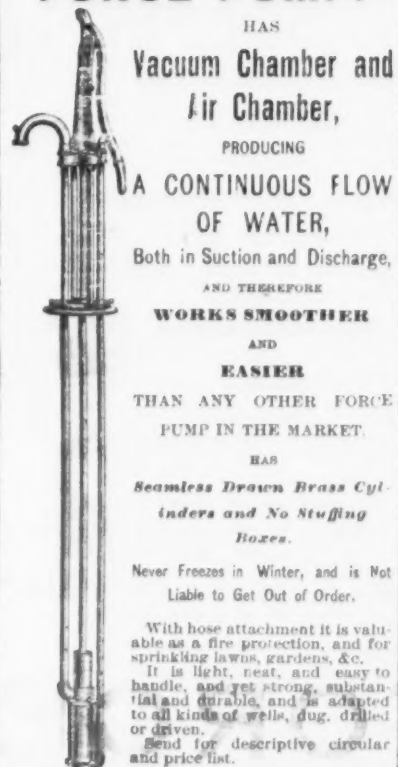
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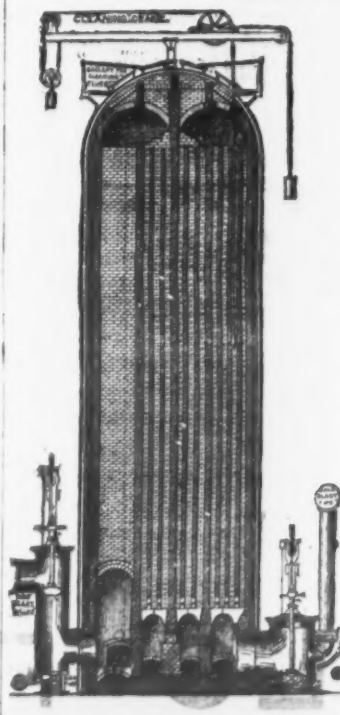
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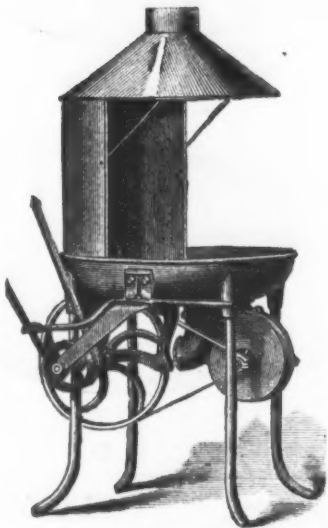


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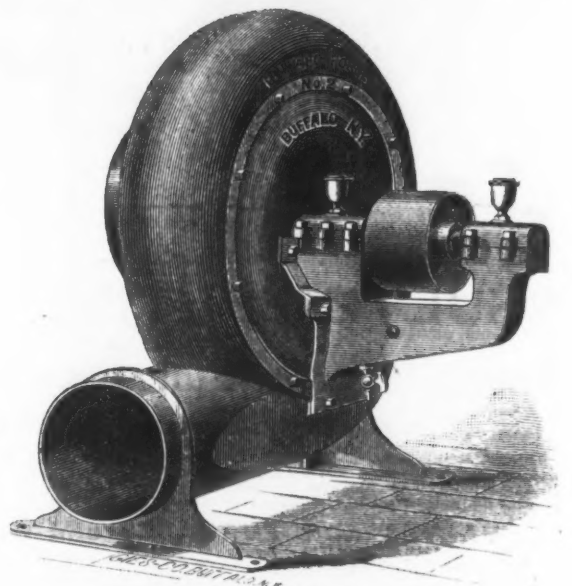
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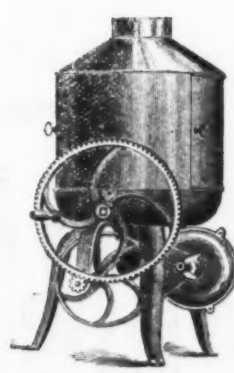
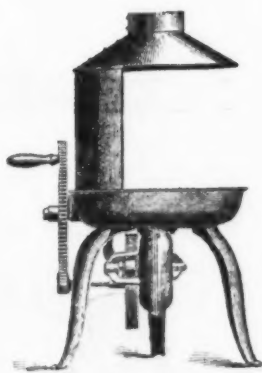
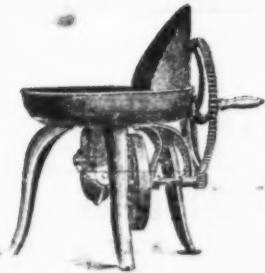
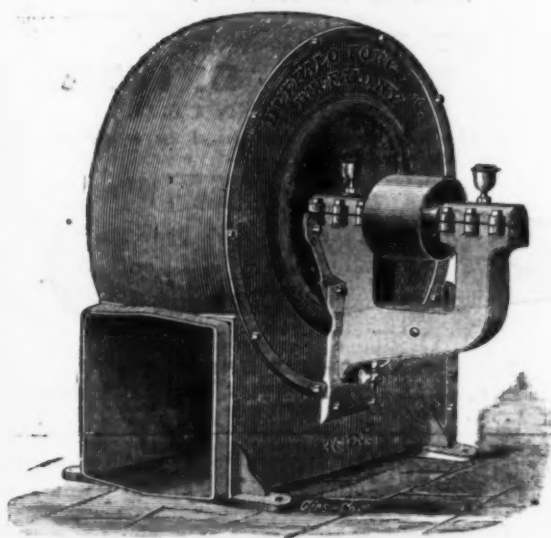


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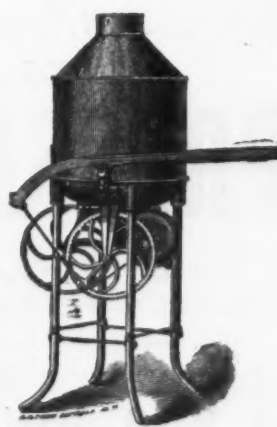
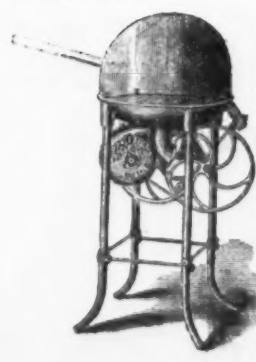
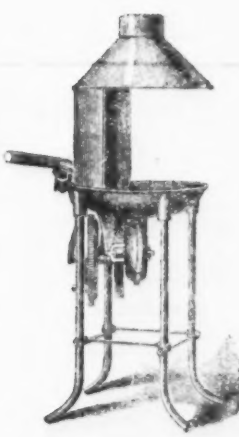
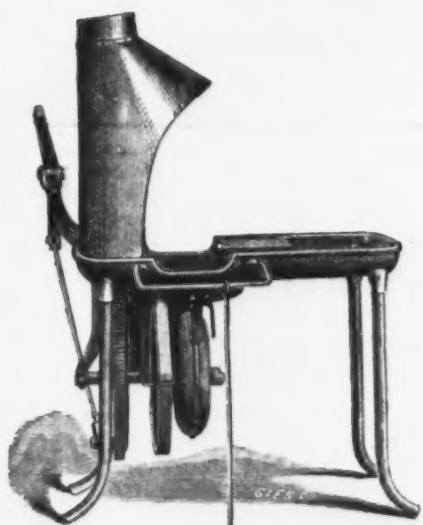
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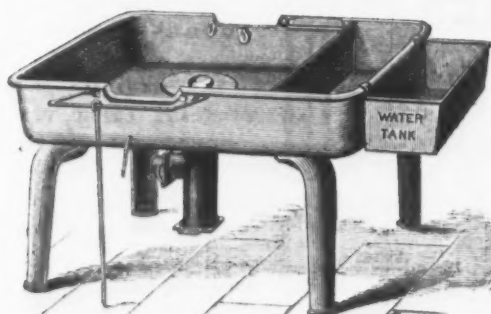
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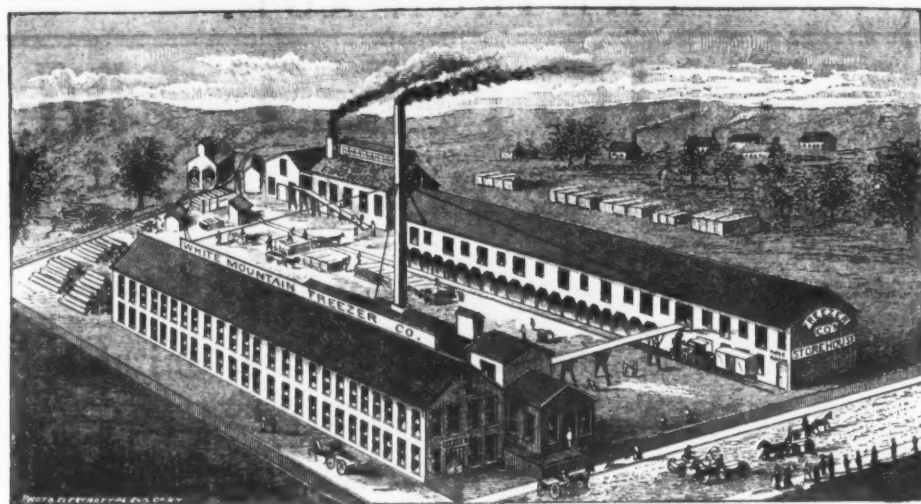
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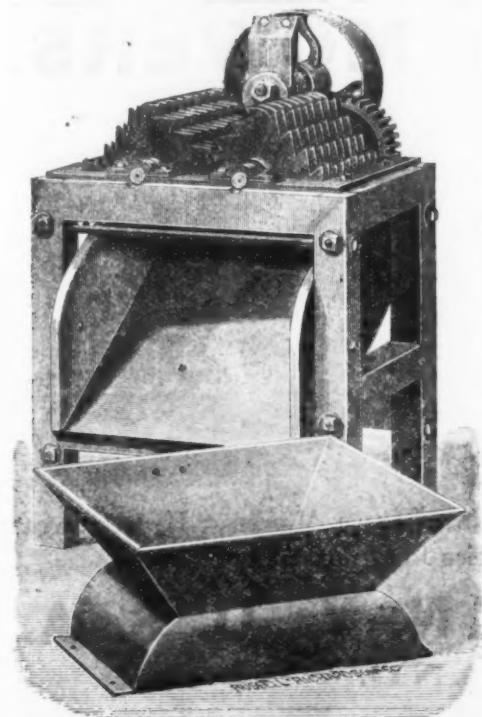
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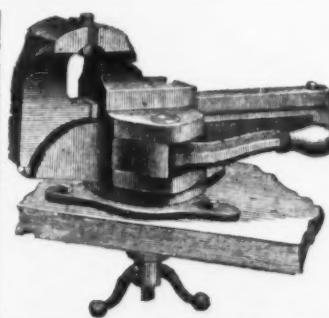
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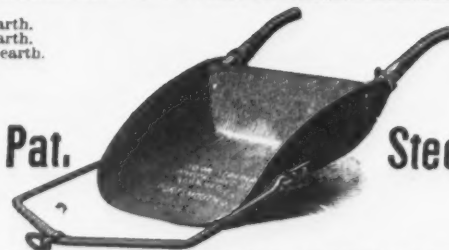
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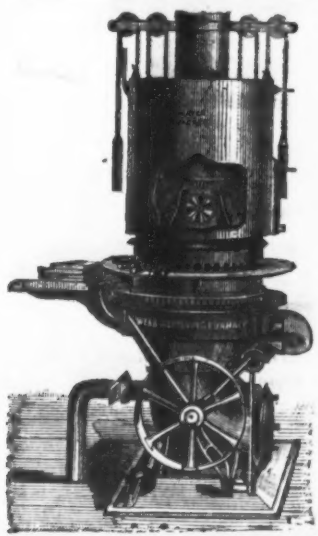
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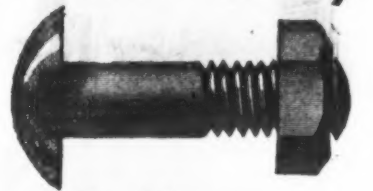
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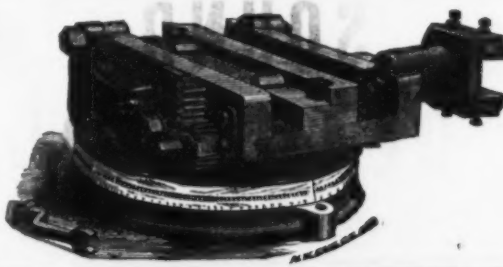
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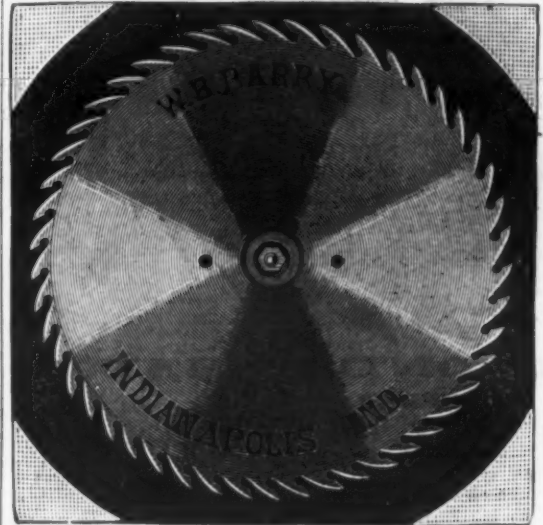
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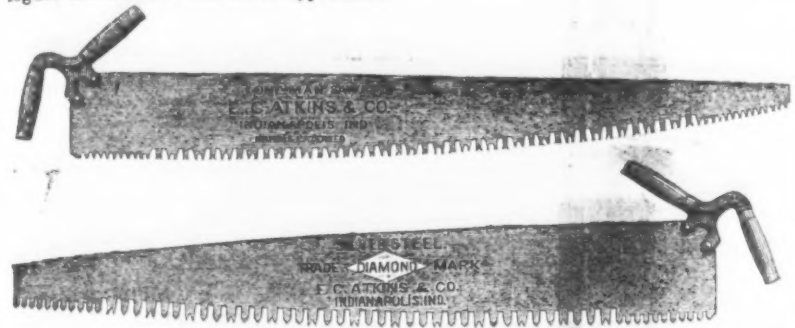
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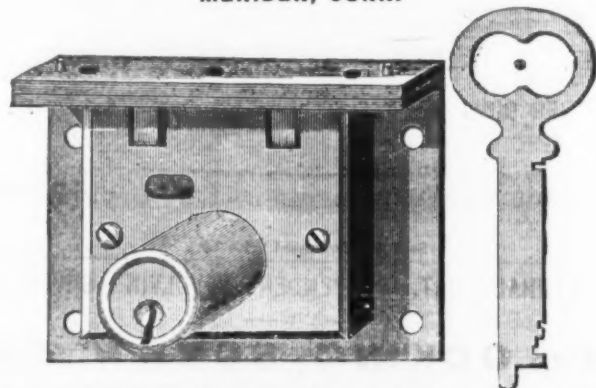
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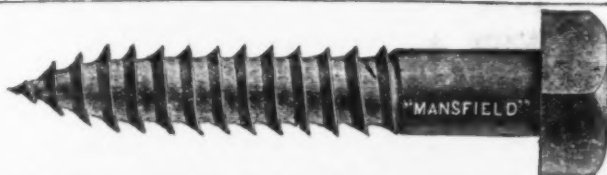
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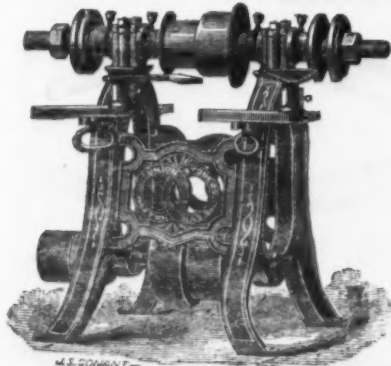


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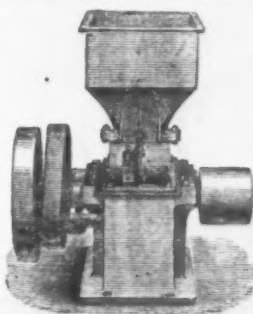
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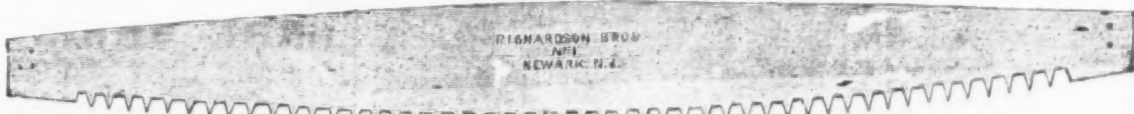
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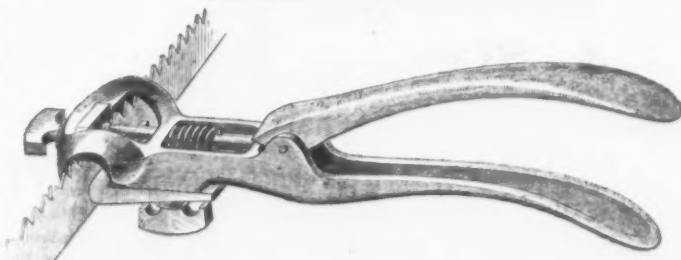
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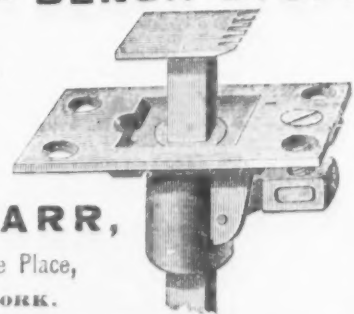
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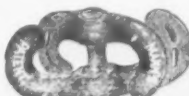
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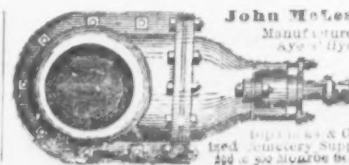
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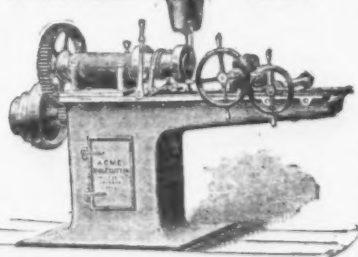


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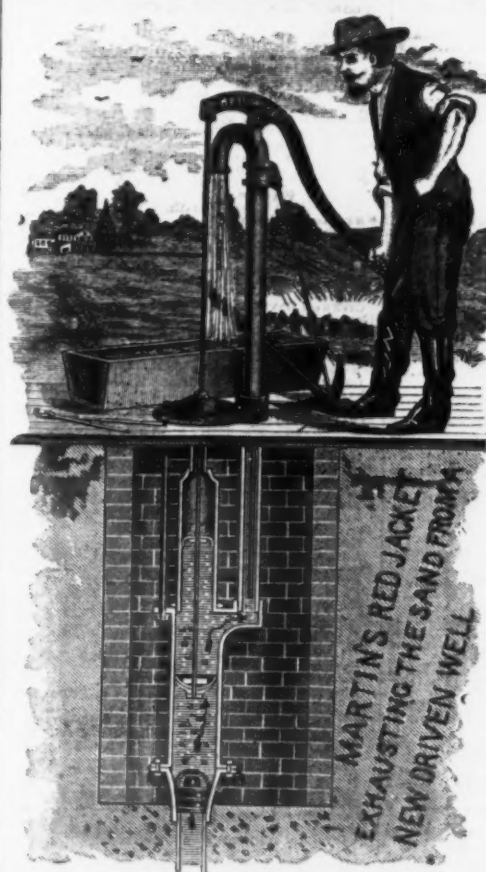
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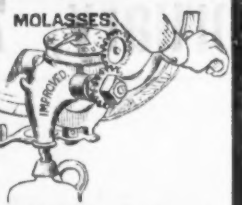
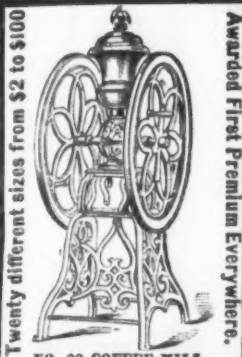


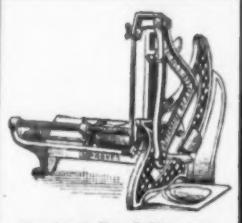
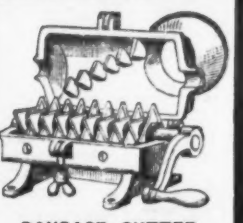

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| Gum Shellac, English..... | | 40 |
| Gum Shellac, English, dark..... | | 35 |
| Litharge..... | | 75 |
| Pumice Stone, selected Lump..... | | 40 |
| Pumice Stone, Powdered..... | | 25 |
| Putty, Fat, boys..... | | 15 |
| Putty..... | | 10 |
| Putty, In binders..... | | 10 |

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| Putty, in bulk..... | 74 1/2 |
| Rosin—Common and Good—Strained..... | 21 1/2 |
| E & B..... | 22 1/2 |
| G & H..... | 27 1/2 |
| I & K..... | 28 1/2 |
| M & N..... | 28 1/2 |
| Edmunds Turpentine..... | 29 1/2 |
| Whiting Spanish..... | 33 1/2 |
| Waste, No. 1 Col..... | 39 1/2 |
| Waste, No. 1 White Machine..... | 100 |
| Waste, No. 2 White Machine..... | 96 1/2 |
| Waste, No. 1 Colored..... | 70 |
| Waste, No. 2 Colored..... | 66 1/2 |
| Waste, Washed Machine..... | 66 1/2 |

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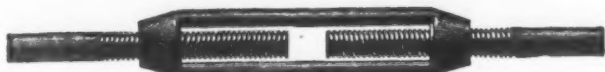
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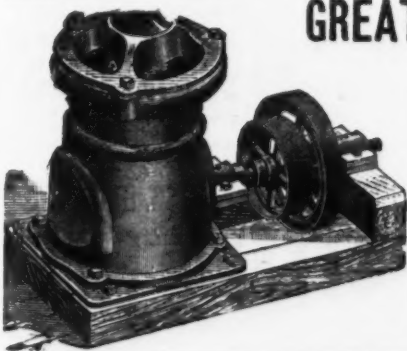
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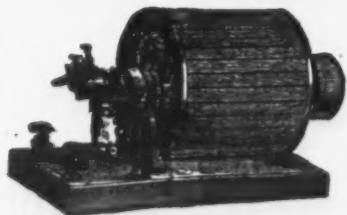
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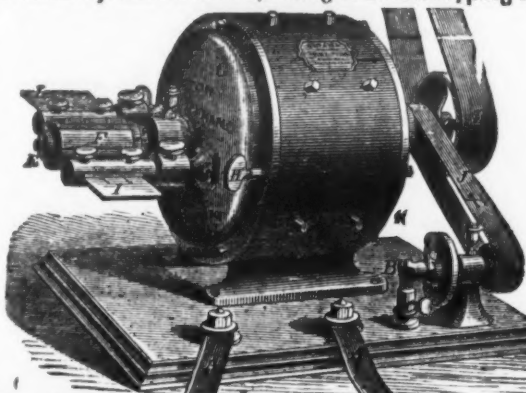
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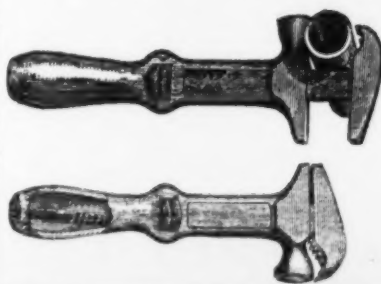
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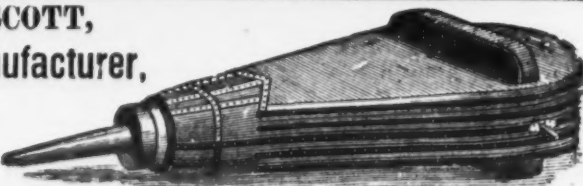
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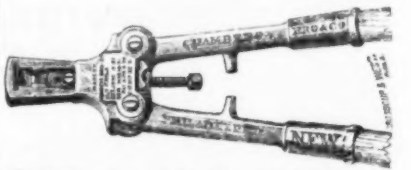
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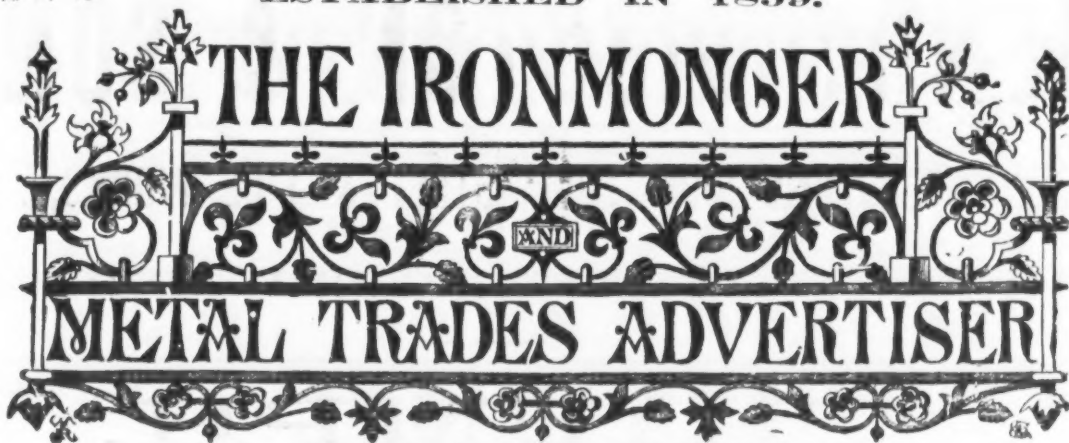
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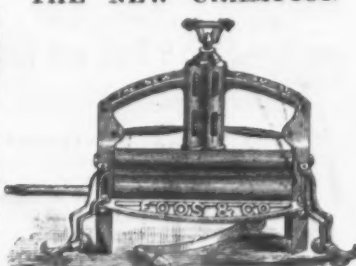
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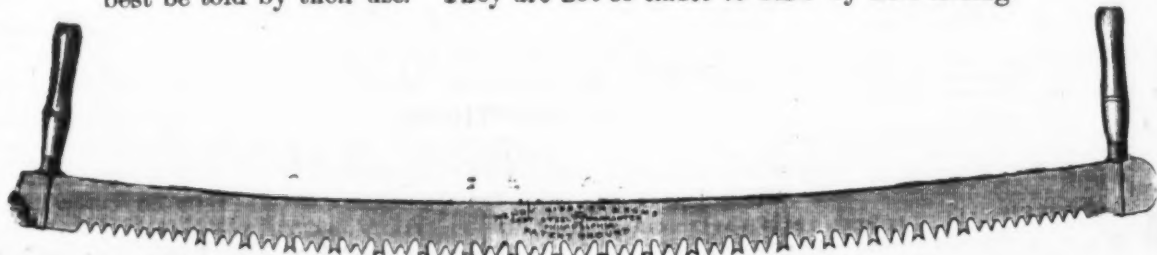
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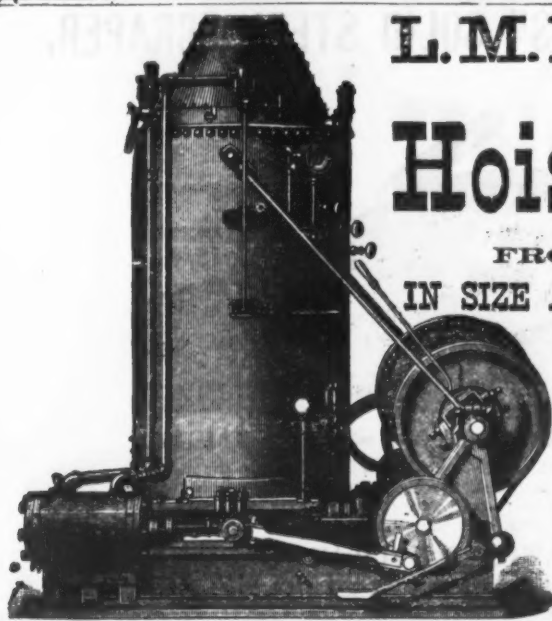
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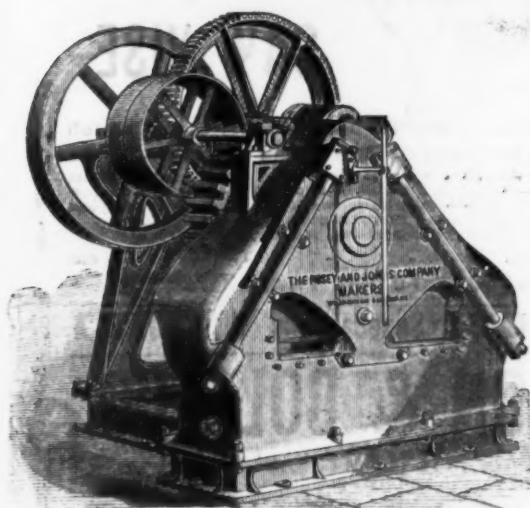
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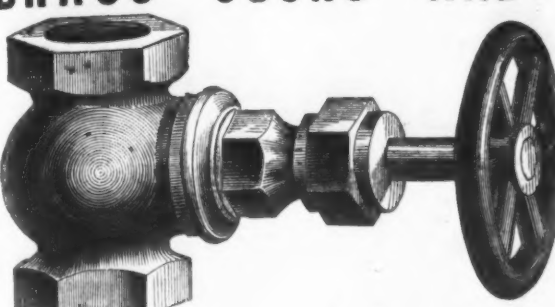
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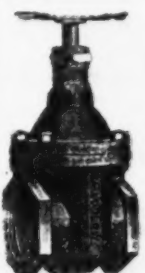

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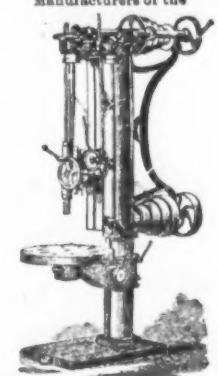
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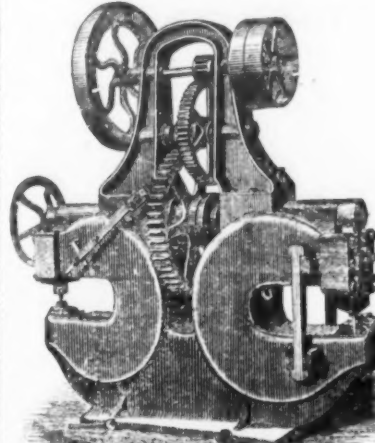
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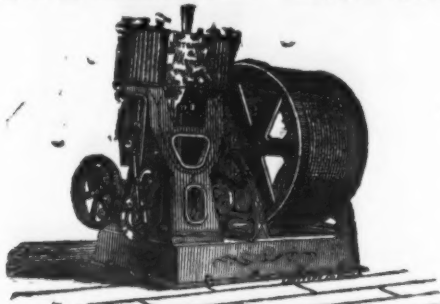
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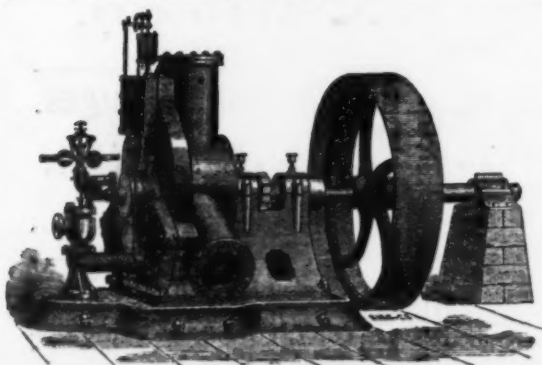
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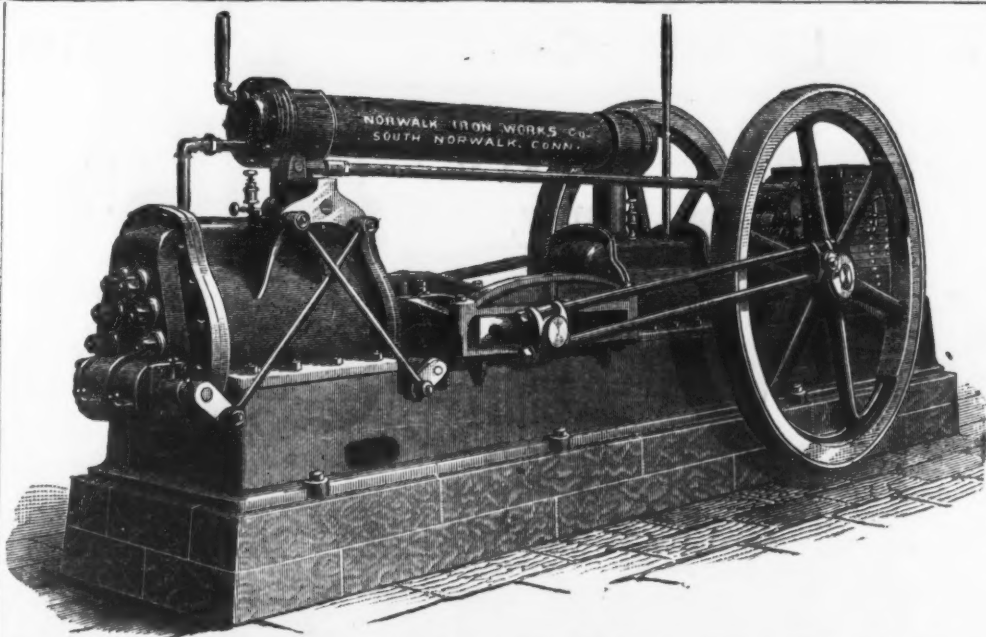
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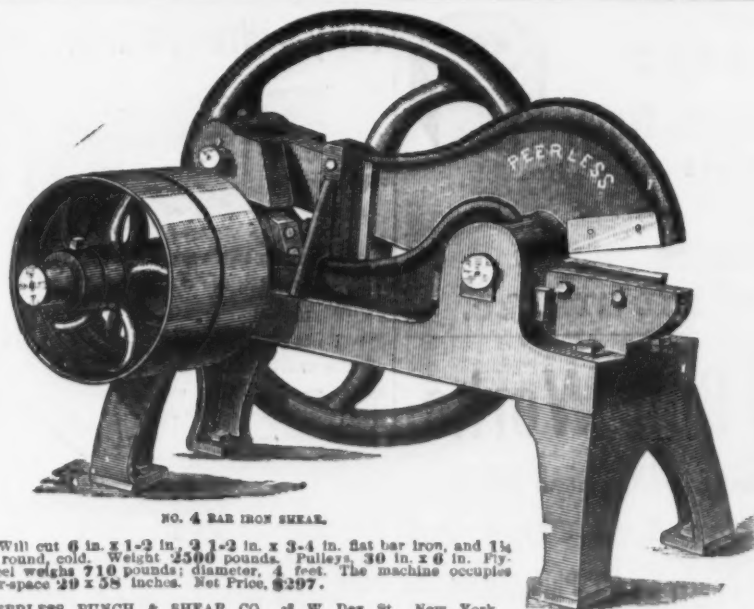
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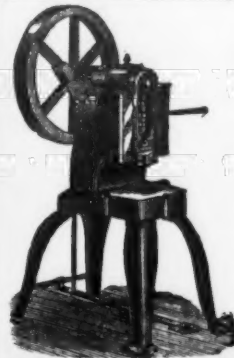
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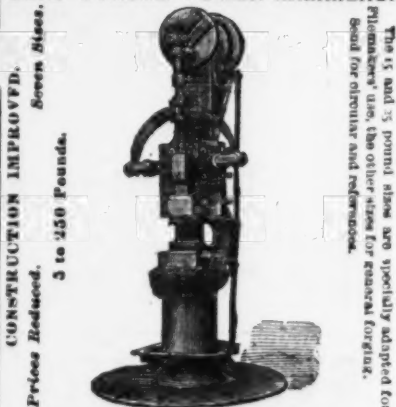
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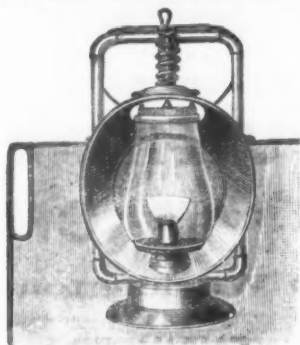
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